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Part I.

OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE

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 Miss Ethel McMann,
 Miss Grace Clark
 Miss Sarah King
 Wilfred Bourgaize

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 Ngazana Sadomba,
 Phillip Chieza,
 Thomasi Marange,
 Isaiah Davikwa.

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 G. A. Roberts
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 Miss Stella Hess,
 Miss Marjorie Fuller
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 H. E. Taylor

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 Miss Marjorie Fuller,
 Reginald Ngonyama.

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M. J. Murphree
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 E. H. Greeley
 Miss Stella Hess
 Miss Grace Clark
 Miss Sarah King

David Mandisodza
 Clifford Faku,
 Titus Marange.

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 Miss Bertha Ramsey

Miss Mildred Benson
 Miss Marjorie Fuller
 Miss Agnes Moore,
 Clifford Faku.
 David Mandisodza,
 Isaiah Munjoma
 John Nduna
 Reginald Ngonyama
 Moses Mparutsa

Committee on Hospitals and Medical Work:

G. A. Roberts
 T. A. O'Farrell
 Miss Ellen Bjorklund
 Miss Jennie Woodruff

Miss Oril Penney
 Miss Ruth Hansson
 Job Tsiga
 Enoch Munjoma.

Committee on Conference Relations:

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 E. H. Greeley
 T. A. O'Farrell

M. J. Murphree
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Board of Examiners:

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 Wilfred Bourgaize

H. I. James
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 R. C. Gates.

Committee on District Conference Records:

Wilfred Bourgaize
 R. C. Gates.

Committee on Conference Program:

The District Superintendents.

Part III.

DAILY PROCEEDINGS OF THE ELEVENTH SESSION.

First Day.—Tuesday, June 14, 1927.

Opening—The Rhodesia Mission Conference assembled for its eleventh session at 8:30 A.M., Tuesday, June 14, 1927, in the church at Old Umtali, Bishop E. S. Johnson, D. D., presiding.

Devotions—Hymn 560, "And Are We Yet Alive" was sung. Assisted by members of the Conference, the Bishop administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper to all missionaries and native workers present. Hymn 634, "Tell It Out Among the Heathen," was sung, and a recess of twenty minutes was taken.

Roll Call—On request of the Bishop, and in the absence of the Secretary of the last Conference, M. J. Murphree called the roll. The following were present:

Conference Members—Wilfred Bourgaize, J. R. Gates, R. C. Gates, E. H. Greeley, F. G. Manger, M. J. Murphree, T. A. O'Farrell, G. A. Robert, H. E. Taylor, L. E. Tull, Isaiah Darikwa, Clifford Faku, Benjamin Katsidzira, David Mandisodza, Thomas Marange, Isaiah Munjoma, Titus Marange.

Conference Probationers—Josiah Chimbadzwa, Zachariah Mukombiwa, Reginald Ngoniyama, Ngazana Sadomba.

Other Missionaries of the Board. Miss Ellen Bjorklund, Mrs. R. C. Gates, Miss Ruth E. Haussan, Mrs. F. G. Manger, Miss Pearl Mullikin, Mrs. M. J. Murphree, Mrs. G. A. Roberts, Mrs. H. E. Taylor.

Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society—Miss Mildred O. Benson, Miss Grace Clark, Miss Marjorie Fuller, Miss Stella Hess, Miss Sarah King, Miss M. Ethel McMann, Miss Agnes S. Moore, Miss Oril Penney, Miss Frances Quinton, Miss Bertha Ramsey, Miss Ila Scovill, Miss Lulu L. Tubbs, Miss Jennie G. Woodruff.

Organization.—*Secretary*.—On motion of J. R. Gates, R. C. Gates was elected Secretary, and Miss Ethel McMann Assistant.

Treasurer—On motion, M. J. Murphree was elected Treasurer, and J. R. Gates Assistant.

Statistician—On motion, F. G. Manger was elected Statistician, and Clifford Faku Assistant.

Greetings.—The Bishop stated that Miss Ona Parmenter, who is in hospital at Salisbury, had sent her greetings to the members of the Conference. The Secretary was instructed to telegraph the good wishes of the Conference to her. Greetings from the South East Africa Mission Conference were conveyed to the Rhodesia Conference by Bishop Johnson.

Hours of Conference.—On motion the hours of Conference were designated as from 9 to 12:00

Standing Committees—On motion, the following Committees were elected.

Committee on Evangelism—F. G. Manger, L. E. Tull, E. H. Greeley, Wilfred Bourgaize, Miss M. Ethel McMann, Miss Grace Clark, Miss Sarah N. King, Benjamin Katsidzira, Ngazana Sadomba, Phillip Chieza, Thomas Marange, Isaiah Darikwa.

Committee on Publications—J. R. Gates, M. J. Murphree, R. C. Gates, F. G. Manger, G. A. Roberts, T. A. O'Farrell, L. E. Tull, E. H. Greeley, Wilfred Bourgaize, H. E. Taylor, Miss Frances Quinton, Miss Stella A. Hess, Miss Marjorie Fuller, Paul Mariyanga, Amos Kampenzi, Samuel Chieza, Titus Marange.

Committee on Resolutions—M. J. Murphree, L. E. Tull, H. E. Taylor, Miss Frances Quinton, Miss Marjorie Fuller, Reginald Ngonyama.

Committee on the State of the Church—M. J. Murphree, T. A. O'Farrell, E. H. Greeley, Miss Stella A. Hess, Miss Grace Clark, Miss Sarah N. King, David Mandisodza, Clifford Faku, Titus Marange.

Board of Education—H. E. Taylor, R. C. Gates, Wilfred Bourgaize, T. A. O'Farrell, G. A. Roberts, J. R. Gates, Mrs. H. E. Taylor, Mrs. R. C. Gates, Mrs. F. G. Manger, Miss Bertha Ramsey, Miss Mildred Benson, Miss Marjorie Fuller, Miss Agnes Moore, Clifford Faku, David Mandisodza, Isaiah Munjoma, John Nduna, Reginald Ngonyama, Moses Nparutsa.

Committee on Hospitals and Medical Work—G. A. Roberts, T. A. O'Farrell, Miss Ellen Bjorklund, Miss Jennie G. Woodruff, Miss Oril Penney, Miss Ruth Hanson, Job Tsiga, Enoch Munjoma.

Committee on Conference Relations—J. R. Gates, E. H. Greeley, T. A. O'Farrell, M. J. Murphree, Wilfred Bourgaize.

Committee on District Conference Records—Wilfred Bourgaize, R. C. Gates.

Committee on Conference Program—The District Superintendents.

Board of Examiners—At the request of E. H. Greeley, the Bishop relieved him of his position as a member of the Board of Examiners. The Board members, as previously appointed, are: J. R. Gates, T. A. O'Farrell, Wilfred Bourgaize, H. I. James, M. J. Murphree.

Editor of Conference Minutes—On motion, the Secretary was elected to edit and publish the Conference minutes, and the printed record of these minutes was made the official record of this Conference.

Disciplinary Questions—The following disciplinary questions were asked and answered in the negative: 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27.

Question Fifteen was asked: "Was the character of each Preacher examined?" The name of J. R. Gates was called, his character passed, and he presented his report. The characters of E. H. Greeley, M. J. Murphree, L. E. Tull, T. A. O'Farrell, and Wilfred Bourgaize were passed. Mr. Bourgaize presented his report.

Question Twenty-five was asked: "Who are the Supernumerary Ministers and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation?" On motion, the name of R. F. Wagner was referred to the

Committee on Conference Relations with a view to giving him the supernumerary relation.

Question Twenty-eight was asked: "Who are the Triers of Appeals?" On motion, the following were elected: J. R. Gates, T. A. O'Farrell, H. I. James, M. J. Murphree, Wilfred Bourgaize.

Sustentation Fund, and Board of Pensions and Relief.—On motion, consideration of establishing a Sustentation Fund and a Board of Pensions and Relief was referred to a committee consisting of J. R. Gates, E. H. Greeley, H. I. James, T. A. O'Farrell, Wilfred Bourgaize, M. J. Murphree, and all the native members of the Conference.

Closing—On motion, the Conference adjourned at 11:30 A. M., with benediction by Bishop Johnson.

Second Day.—Wednesday, June 15, 1927.

Opening.—Conference was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Bishop Johnson. Hymn 543, "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind," was sung and the Bishop led in prayer. Hymn 5 in the Chimanyika Hymnal was sung and Isaiah Munjoma and Nelson Kapembe led in prayer.

Minutes.—The minutes of the session of the previous day were read and after correction, were approved.

Question Ten was asked: "What Members are in the Studies of Fourth Year?" Isaiah Darikwa, Benjamin Katsidzira, David Mandisodza, Thomas Marange, Titus Marange, Isaiah Munjoma and H. E. Taylor were called, their characters passed, and after report by the Board of Examiners, they were continued in the Studies of the Third Year. H. E. Taylor presented his report.

Clifford Faku was called, his character passed, and after report by the Board of Examiners, he was advanced on condition to the Studies of the Fourth Year.

F. G. Mauger and G. A. Roberts were called, their characters passed, and after report by the Board of Examiners, they were advanced to the Studies of the Fourth Year. G. A. Roberts presented his report.

Question Eleven was asked: "What Members have completed the Conference Course of Study?" R. C. Gates was called, his character passed, and after report by the Board of Examiners, he was graduated from the Course of Study and elected to Elder's Orders.

Board of Examiners.—Bishop Johnson appointed R. C. Gates a member of the Board of Examiners.

Delegates to South African Central Mission Conference: J. R. Gates was elected by ballot as ministerial delegate to the South Africa Central Mission Conference.

Four ballots for the choice of a second delegate resulted in no election, no one having received a majority of the votes cast.

Inspector of Schools.—On motion, the Conference decided to invite Mr. J. Condy, H. M. Inspector of Schools to address the Conference on

matters pertaining to Native Education.

Closing.—On motion, the Conference voted that when it adjourn, it adjourn to meet at the call of the Bishop. Hymn 14 in the Chimanyika Hymnal was sung, Bishop Johnson pronounced the benediction, and the Conference adjourned.

Third Day.—Thursday, June 16, 1927.

Opening.—Conference was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Bishop Johnson. After the singing of Hymn 14 in the Chimanyika Hymnal. Benjamin Katsidzira and Enoch Munjoma led in prayer Hymn 279, "Rock of Ages" was sung, and prayer was offered by Bishop Johnson. A native male quarter sang "Lord, I want to be a Christian."

Minutes.—The minutes of the session of the previous day were read and approved.

Delegates to South Africa Central Mission Conference.—The fifth ballot for election of a second delegate to the South Africa Central Mission Conference resulted in no election.

The Old Umtali ladies quartet sang "His Name is Written on Them All."

On the sixth ballot, G. A. Roberts was elected as the second delegate to the South Africa Central Mission Conference.

Question Five was asked: "Who have been Received on Trial?" Samuel Chieza and Phillip Chieza were called, their characters passed and after report by the Board of Examiners, the Conference voted to receive them on trial in the Studies of the First Year.

Question Eight was asked: "Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?" Reginald Ngonyama was called, his character passed, and after report by the Board of Examiners, he was admitted to Full Membership in the Conference, advanced to the Studies of the Third Year, and elected to Deacon's Orders.

Ngazana Sadomba was called, his character passed, and he was continued on trial in the Studies of the Second Year.

Question Twelve was resumed: "What others have been elected and ordained Deacons?" Ngazana Sadomba was called and he was elected to Deacon's Orders as a Local Preacher.

Question Eight was resumed: "Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?" R. F. Wagner was called, his character passed, and on motion he was continued on trial in Studies of the Second Year.

Question Twenty-five was resumed: "Who are the Supernumerary Ministers?" On motion, the name of R. F. Wagner was placed on the list of Supernumerary Ministers.

Question Six was asked: "Who have been Continued on Trial?" Josiah Chimbadzwa and Zachariah Mukombiwa were called, their characters passed, and after report by the Board of Examiners, they were continued on trial and advanced to the Studies of the Second Year.

Sustentation Fund and Board of Pensions and Relief: The committee which had been appointed to consider the establishment of a Sustentation Fund and a Board of Pensions and Relief reported that they did not consider the time ripe for providing a Sustentation Fund. They recommended that the Conference organize a Board of Stewards and a Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.

Board of Stewards.—On motion, the following were elected as members of the Conference Board of Stewards:

To serve for one year:—F. G. Mauger, Titus Marange, Paul Chiwanga.

To serve for two years:—T. A. O'Farrell, J. R. Gates, Reginald Ngonyama.

To serve for three years:—M. J. Murphree, David Mandisodza, Abraham Kawadza.

Retirement.—A communication from E. H. Greeley asking for the Retired Relationship was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

Question Thirty-eight was asked: "Is there Conference Sustentation Fund Society, and what is its Report?" This question was answered in the negative.

Question Twenty-nine was asked: "What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Mission and Church Extension?" It was answered, "None."

On motion, it was decided to organize a Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. The following were nominated and elected as members of this Board:

	<i>Ministerial Members</i>	<i>Lay Members</i>
<i>Old Umtali District</i>	J. R. Gates H. E. Taylor Thomas Marange	Marjorie Fuller Moses Chisamba Moses Muparutsa
<i>Mrewa District</i>	T. A. O'Farrell Wilfred Bourgaize David Mandisodza	Grace Clark Samuel Chieza Ngazana Saudomba

Questions: 30, 33 (a) 34, and 35 were asked and answered, "None."

Question Forty was asked: "Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?" The Pastor of Old Umtali extended an invitation to hold it at Old Umtali. On motion, it was ordered that the next Conference be held at Old Umtali.

Retirement: The Committee on Conference Relations reported that as E. H. Greeley had asked for the Retired Relation they recommended that his request be granted. On motion, he was placed in the Retired Relation.

The Bishop called attention to Mr. Greeley's thirty-nine years of faithful and devoted missionary service, the fruitful results of his labors in the native language, the writing of hymns and textbooks, and

of his intimate knowledge of the hearts of the native people, and expressed the grateful esteem and loving affection in which Mr. Greeley is held by the native people and his fellow-missionaries.

Closing.—The Doxology was sung. R. C. Gates pronounced the benediction, and the Conference adjourned to meet at the Call of the Bishop.

Fourth Day.—Friday, June 17, 1927.

Opening.—Conference was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Bishop Johnson. After the singing of Hymn 461, "How Firm a Foundation," Samuel Chieza and Titus Marange led in prayer. The Old Umtali Ladies quartet sang "Come to our Hearts and Abide"

Minutes.—The minutes of the session of the previous day were read and approved.

Admission into Full Membership: The name of Reginald Ngonyama was called as the candidate for admission into Full Membership. The native male quartet sang, "Lord, I want to be a Christian." After Scripture reading and an exhortation by the Bishop, the candidate answered the necessary disciplinary questions and was admitted into the Conference as a Full Member.

Greetings.—Hearty greetings were conveyed by letter to the Conference from Dr. and Mrs. Montgomery and it was voted to send the greetings of the Conference to them. On motion, Dr. Montgomery was excused from attendance at the Conference.

Reports.—Dr. Montgomery having forwarded reports of the medical and farm work at Nyadiri, the Secretary read the reports to the Conference. T. A. O'Farrell presented his report.

Question Fifteen was resumed: "Was the character of each Preacher examined?" Misses E. E. Bjorklund, Stella Hess and Frances Quinton were called, their characters passed, and they presented their reports.

The following were called and their characters passed: Mrs. J. R. Gates, Mrs. R. C. Gates, Miss Ruth Hansson, Mrs. H. I. James, Mrs. S. R. P. Montgomery, Dr. Montgomery, Miss Pearl Mullikin, Mrs. T. A. O'Farrell, Mrs. G. A. Roberts, Mrs. H. Taylor, Miss Georgia Beven, Miss Grace Clark, Miss Marjorie Fuller, Miss Sarah King, Miss Ethel McMann, Miss Agnes Moore, Miss Ona Parmenter, Miss Oril Penney, Miss Bertha Ramsey, Miss Beulah Reitz, Miss Ila Scovill, Miss Lulu Tubbs, Miss Jennie Woodruff, Miss Mildred Benson, Mrs. F. G. Manger, and Mrs. M. J. Murphree.

The following native workers were called and their characters passed: Stephen Chikwana, James Mrewa, Daniel Chataika, John Cheke, Isaiah Tsopotsa, Jefferson Siyawamwaye, Simeon Dzapasi, Jotham Risinamudzi, Joseph Makuto, Samson Bumhira, Edwin Matimbanyoka, Obadiah Kanyoka, Josiah Mrewa, Patrick Mugabezi, Shadrach Karimanzira, Roderick Kunyarimwe, Agnes Muridzikwa, Ruth Mushambozha, David Gurupira, David Njagu, Nathan Chieza, Simeon Chiwara, Shadrack Nyemba, Samuel Gurende, Samuel Dzemwa,

Petros Nyawasha, Titus Dzemwa, Paul Maranda, David Dzaranyika, Jonathan Murumbedzi, John Wesley Makasa, Ciprian Urudzi, Elisha Mvudadu, Philip Punda, Noah Kalowangoma, Phillip Mukarakati, Benson Manganyi, Jacob Samakande, Nathan Kowo, Harrison Marange, Peter Chitiyo, David Mudarikwa, Daniel Chatayika, Murashwa Katsidzira, Gideon Mukadota, Solomon Pawirimaenzi, Solomon Mapara, Aron Mkweu, Obediah Kanyoka, Peter Zisengwe, Maurice Mazunda, Jonah Kanyuchi, Samuel Pendeke, Paul Kangaradi, Richard Karumazondo, James Musiarira, Jonah Mupese, Morton Kaunda, Abraham Tsoka, Lawrence Machekeche, Thomas Natara, Luke Chieza, William Chieza, Nicodemus Chikazli, Joshua Muredzwa, Solomon Munotomani, Amos Chifetete, Daniel Matema, Dawson Cheke, Elison Mbereke, Job Tsiga, Moses Gwata, Susannah Marange, Leah Katsidzira, Elina Sami, Ana Manyarara, Stephen Mukonda, Peter Mufundi, Jonah Kuturuza, Joseph Chakonda, Joshua Mujufu, Jonathan Marange, John Machingarufu, Elmer Kazomba, Joseph Chiri, Jacob Mandizera, Isaiah Musamba, Joshua Chirikuutsi, Simeon Machiri, Dennis Ziwe, Tennyson Dzimati, Wilson Mandiso Iza, Maxin Mutambanengwe, Kenneth Marange, Amos Karumbidza, Moses Chitakatira, Daniel Muranda, David Mupikata, Benjamin Nyambawaro, Lot Munotumani, Samson Matanga, Isaiah Tichiwanhunyi, Zacheus Madzirashu, Enoch Chiyadswa, Samson Zwinoyera, Nelson Mukondi, Moses Mufokozana, Edward Makoui, Moses Mparutsa, Ezekiel Mvurumutiya, Aaron Gwawawa, Lazarus Muchemva, Nyaperhwayi Nyamujiya, William Mabayiwa, Jeremiah Kapfumvuti, Thomas Kamusono, Jonah Chitombo, Johnson Chikosi, Miriam Sepita, Joseph Nyamurowa, Silas Kasambira, Norah Mufudza, Margaret Chifakoya, Philemon Benengu, Thomas Pedzeni, Watt Makaza, Amos Kapswara, Jackson Rugaya, Enoch Munjoma, Edison Musiwachio, Grace Mafokosho, Sarah Maudisodza, Amos Kapenzi, Silas Chitakatira, John Nduwa, David Sakatomba, Martin Nyagura, Johnson Sachiti, Job Gondora, Paul Mavisa, Gilbert Rakabopa, Peter Pasingekanyi, Daniel Chitenderu, Isaac Masiya, Morrison Parwhehosi, Elisha Makoni, Samuel Matongo, Moses Chisamba, James Chikusi, Joshua Mutsago, Paul Mareya, James Mujene, Stephen Chirewa, Abisha Mujene, David Nyafukwe, Solomon Mabambe, Gibson Makaure.

The hymn, "Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts," was sung by the Old Umtali native choir.

Closing.—After the singing of hymn 14 in the Chimanyika Hymnal, Reginald Ngoniyama pronounced the benediction, and on motion the Conference adjourned at 11:20 a.m., to meet at the call of the Bishop.

Fifth Day.—Saturday, June 18, 1927.

Morning Session.

Opening.—Conference was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Bishop Johnson. After Hymn 23 in the Chimanyika Hymnal was sung, Isaiah Darikwa, and David Mandisodza led in prayer. Following the singing of Hymn 307, "Hark, My Soul," Bishop Johnson read and interpreted a portion of Scripture.

Minutes.—The minutes of the session of the previous day were read and approved.

Question 35 was asked: "What amount has been apportioned to

the Pastoral Charges within the Conference, to be raised for the Support of Conference Claimants?"

The Conference Board of Stewards' reported as follows:

1. We recommend that a Supply Local Preachers' Relief Fund be created, in accordance with the provisions of the Discipline.
2. We recommend that the apportionment for Supply Local Preachers' Relief Fund be made to each Pastoral charge and that the apportionment be six pence on the pound paid in salaries for the support of Pastoral Teachers and Native Ministers on that charge and that the the apportionment so raised in respect of the Native Ministers shall be paid into the Conference Claimants' Fund.
3. We recommend that the Collection for this Fund be taken the first Sunday in June.
4. We recommend that a Pastor Teachers' Savings Fund be created and that each Pastor Teacher be required to pay annually, two and a half percent of his salary into this Fund. This assessment to be paid annually from the May wages.
5. The Pastor Teachers' Savings Fund shall be administered by the Conference Board of Stewards.

Paragraphs 1, 2. and 3 of this report were taken up and a motion was made and seconded that they be adopted. After a discussion which made clear that the money that shall be received from stations served by Supply Local Preachers shall go into the Supply Local Preachers' Relief Fund, and that the money that shall be received from Conference Members shall go into the Conference Claimants' Fund, these three paragraphs were adopted.

Paragraphs 4 and 5 were then taken up and, on motion, were adopted.

Question 32 was asked: "What is the Conference Treasurer's Report?" The Conference Treasurer reported no receipts and no disbursements.

District Conference Records: The Committee on District Conference Records gave its report. (See Reports)

Recommendation from Mrewa District Conference: The following recommendation was read:

"We, the Mrewa District Conference recommend that a teacher be allowed to have a plough, in order to lighten his work, that he be allowed to keep not more than twelve head of cattle and be allowed to plough not more than eight acres of land. We recommend that the Annual Conference adopt this plan."

A motion was made and seconded that this recommendation be adopted.

On motion, at 10:35 a recess of thirty minutes was taken.

Conference reconvened at 11:05, and discussion on the recommendation of the Mrewa District Conference was resumed. As a substitute for the original motion the following was moved and seconded; "That we discourage ownership of ploughs and work cattle by the Pastor Teachers

and we urge that the lands of the Pastor-Teachers be ploughed by the stewards."

After discussion, the following amendment to the substitute was moved and seconded; "That the words, 'we urge that lands of the Pastor-Teachers be ploughed by the stewards' be stricken out and the words, 'we urge that the Pastor-Teachers be encouraged to hire their ploughing done' be inserted.

On motion, postponement of the consideration of the question until the next session was ordered.

On motion, time was extended.

Closing.—The Doxology was sung, T. A. O'Farrell pronounced the benediction and, on motion, Conference adjourned to meet at the call of the Bishop.

Fifth Day—Saturday, June 18, 1927.

Afternoon Session.

Opening.—Bishop Johnson called the Conference to order at 4.00 p.m. After the singing of the first hymn in the Chimanyika Hymnal, Miss Marjorie Fuller led in prayer.

Recommendation from Mrewa District Conference.—Consideration of the question before the Conference relative to the Pastor-Teachers owning work cattle and having their lands ploughed, was again taken up. Upon being put to vote, the amendment to the substitute was adopted, the substitute as amended was accepted, and adopted.

Question 13 was resumed.—"What others have been elected and ordained Elders, (b) Under Missionary Rule?" The name of F.G. Manger was called and he was elected to Elder's Orders.

Reports.—On request of the Bishop, the Secretary read the report of Miss Pearl Mullikin.

Question Thirty-one was asked: "What is the Statistician's Report?" The Statistician presented his report. (See Reports.)

Reports of Committees:—The Board of Education presented its report. An amendment that the words in paragraph seven of the report, "be printed in parallel columns in English and Chimanyika" be inserted in place of the words "be printed in Chimanyika" was accepted and on motion, the report adopted. (See Reports)

The Committee on Publications presented its report and on motion it was adopted. (See Reports.)

The Committee on Hospitals and Medical work presented its report and on motion it was adopted. (See Reports.)

The Committee on the State of the Church presented its report and on motion, it was adopted, (See Reports.)

The Committee on Evangelism presented its report and, on motion, it was adopted, (See Reports.)

An anthem was sung by the Old Umtali Native Choir.

A communication from the General Conference Commission on World Peace was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

Native Conference.—On motion it was decided to elect a native delegate to a Native Conference to be held in connection with the Southern Rhodesia Missionary Conference. David Mandisodza and Titus Marange were nominated delegates and the former was elected.

Closing.—The hymn, "I will Praise Thee" was sung by a quartet of native girls, Thomas Marange pronounced the benediction and, on motion, Conference adjourned to meet at the call of the Bishop.

Sixth Day.—Tuesday, June 21, 1927.

Opening.—Conference was called to order at 10.10 a.m. with T. A. O'Farrell in the chair. Hymn 186, "I Worship Thee, O Holy Ghost" was sung and H. E. Taylor and E. H. Greeley offered prayer. Hymn 12 in the Chimanyika Hymnal was sung. After the reading of the Scriptures and a few minutes of silent prayer, Miss Mullikin led in prayer. Hymn 141, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" and No. 7 in the Chimanyika Hymnal were sung.

Upon his arrival the Chair was occupied by Bishop Johnson.

Minutes.—The minutes of the morning and afternoon sessions of June 18, 1927, were read and approved.

Gift.—Bishop Johnson announced a gift of ten pounds from his wife to the Board of Stewards for the Native Conference Claimants.

Question 37 was asked: "What amount has been paid by the Conference Treasurer to the Board of Pensions and Relief for Connec-tional Relief?" It was answered "None."

Reports.—The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read. That portion of the report referring to E. H. Greeley was adopted by the entire Conference standing. The remainder of the report was then adopted.

The Committee on the State of the Church, to which has been referred a letter from the General Conference Commission on World Peace, brought in a resolution recommending the use of a Prayer for Peace and the observance of Peace Sunday. On motion, the resolution was adopted. (See report of Committee on State of the Church.)

Closing.—It was moved and ordered that after the reading and approval of the Journal, the reading of the appointments, and appropriate closing exercises, the Conference stand adjourned.

The minutes of this session were read and approved.

Bishop Johnson addressed the Conference and read the appointments. J. R. Gates led in prayer. After Hymn 556, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," was sung, Bishop Johnson pronounced the benediction, and the Conference adjourned.

Secretary's Certificate.

I hereby certify that this volume contains a complete and correct record of the proceedings of the Eleventh Session of the Rhodesia Mission Conference, and that it was adopted by the Conference as its Official Record.

R. C. Gates

Secretary

Part IV.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

The Rhodesia Mission Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church held at Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, June 14-21, 1927.

1. (a) Is this Annual Conference Incorporated according to the requirement of the Discipline?

None.

(b) What officers and persons holding money, funds etc., are bonded, and in what amount according to the requirement of the Discipline?

None.

2. Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conferences?

None.

3. Who have been Readmitted?

None.

4. Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches?

None.

5. Who have been Received on Trial?

(a) In studies of First Year?

Phillip Chieza and Samuel Chieza.

(b) In studies of Third Year under Seminary Rule?

None.

6. Who have been Continued on Trial?

(a) In studies of First Year.

None.

(b) In studies of Second Year.

Josiah Chimbadzwa, Zachariah Mukombiwa, Ngazana Sadomba, and Rush F. Wagner.

(c) In studies of Third year.

None.

(d) In studies of Fourth Year.

None.

7. Who have been Discontinued?

None.

8. Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?

(a) Elected and ordained Deacons this year.

Reginald Ngonyama.

(b) Elected and ordained Deacons previously.

None.

(c) Elected to be ordained elsewhere.

None.

(d) Ordained Deacon, having been previously elected by..... Conference.

None.

9. What Members are in studies of Third Year?

- (a) Admitted into Full Membership this year.
Reginald Ngonyama.
- (b) Admitted into Full Membership previously.
Isaiah Darikwa, Benjamin Katsidzira, David Mandisodza,
Thomas Marange, Titus Marange, Isaiah Munjoma, and H.
Erne Taylor.

10. What Members are in studies of Fourth Year?

Clifford Faku, Frank G. Mauger, and George A. Roberts.

11. What Members have completed the Conference Course of Study?

- (a) Elected and ordained Elders this year.
Robert C. Gates.
- (b) Elected and ordained Elders previously.
None.
- (c) Elected and ordained Elders under the Seminary Rule.
None.
- (d) Elected to be ordained elsewhere.
None.
- (e) Ordained Elder, having been previously elected by.....
Conference.
None.
- (f) Ordained Elder elsewhere under our election.
None.

12. What others have been elected and ordained Deacons?

- (a) As Local Preachers.
Ngazana Sadomba.
- (b) Under Missionary Rule.
None.
- (c) Under the Seminary Rule.
None.
- (d) Elected by this Conference and ordained elsewhere.
None.

13. What others have been elected and ordained Elders?

- (a) As Local Deacons.
None.
- (b) Under Missionary Rule.
Frank G. Mauger.
- (c) Elected by this Conference and ordained elsewhere.
None.

14. Who have been left without appointment to attend one of our schools?

None.

15. Was the character of each Preacher examined?

This was strictly done, the name of each Preacher being called in open Conference.

16. Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences?

None.

17. Who have Died ?

None.

18. Who have been Located at their own request?

None.

19. Who have been Located ?

None.

20. Who have withdrawn?

(a) From the Ministry.

None.

(b) From the Ministry and Membership of the Church.

None.

(c) By surrender of the Ministerial Office.

None.

21. Who have been deprived of the Ministerial Office?

None.

22. Who have been permitted to withdraw under Charges or Complaints?

None.

23. Who have been Expelled?

None.

24. What other Personal Notation should be made?

None.

25. Who are the Supernumerary Ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation?

Rush H. Wagner.

26. Who are the Retired Ministers?

Eddy H. Greeley.

27. Who have been granted leave absence?

None.

28. Who are the Triers of Appeals?

J. R. Gates, T. A. O'Farrell, H. I. James, M. J. Murphree, and Wilfred Bourgaize.

29. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension?

Board elected at his session; no report.

30. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions?

None.

31. What is the Statistical Report?

See Reports,

32. What is the Conference Treasurer's Report?

The Conference Treasurer reported no receipts and no disbursements.

33. (a) What is the aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer?

None.

(b) What is the aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the Annual Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer?

None.

34. What are the claims on the Conference funds?

None.

35. (a) What has been received on these claims?

From the Book Concern.....	
From the Chartered Fund.....	
From Board of Pensions and Relief.....	
From Annual Conference Investments.....	
From Pastoral Charges.....	\$50.
Total.....	\$50.

(b) How has it been applied?

Placed on deposit.

36. What amount has been apportioned to the Pastoral Charges within the Conference, to be raised for the support of Conference Claimants?

6d for each £1 of Pastor's salary.

37. What amount has been paid by the Conference Treasurer to the Board of Pensions and Relief for Connectional Relief?

None.

38. Is there a Conference Sustentation Fund Society, and what is its Report?

None.

39. Where are the Preachers stationed?

See List of Appointments.

40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

Old Umtali.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION

This certifies that on the nineteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, at Old Umtali, Southern Rhodesia, I ordained Deacons: Reginald Ngonyama and Ngazana Sadomba.

And that, on the same day and at the same place, assisted by a number of Elders, I ordained Elders: Roberts C. Gates and Frank G. Mauger.

E. S. Johnson
Bishop.

Old Umtali, Rhodesia
June 19, 1927.

Part V.

LIST OF CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS

UMTALI DISTRICT

J. R. Gates, Superintendent.

St. Andrew's Church	J. R. Gates
Marange Circuit	<i>To be supplied</i>
Odzi	<i>To be supplied</i>
Gwawawa	Benjamin Nyambawaro
Wendumba	Lot Munotumani
Makomwe	Isaiah Tichiwanhunyi
Chipango	Zachaeus Madzirashe
Chirinda	<i>To be supplied</i>
Mafarikwa	Enoch Chiyadzwa
Matanda	Samson Zwinoyera
Shuuduri	Nelson Mukondi
Maswaure	<i>To be supplied</i>
Masasi	Edward Makoni
Mutsago	Moses Mparutsa
North Chikwariro	Ezekiel Mvurumutiza
South Chikwariro	Aaron Gwawawa
Mutambara Circuit	Reginald Ngonyama
Nyambeya	Jeremiah Kapfumvuti
Chitora	Thomas Kamusono
Munyarari	Jonah Chitombo
Chikowa	Charlie Machiha
Dunhu	<i>To be supplied</i>
Shinja	"
Ruwaka	"
Mugowa	"
Mutambara Center	H. E. Taylor
Principal Coeducational School	Mrs. H. E. Taylor
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Lulu Tubbs
	Sarah King
	Ethel McMann
Teachers in Boarding School	Reginald Ngonyama
	Silas Kasambira
	Frederick Chingwendi
	Joseph Nyamurowa
	Miriam Sepita
	Agnes Muradzikwa
	Margaret Chifakoya
	Jennie G. Woodruff
Dispensary	
Umtali Circuit	Thomas Marange
Umtali	{ Thomas Marange
	{ Nathan Ndizana

Muradzikwa
Dangari
Chitakatira
Bvumba
Chirara
Zonwe
Murare
Mukozhiwa

Martin Nyaguwa
Johnson Sachiti
Job Gondora
Paul Mavisa
Gilbert Rakabopa
Peter Pasingekanyi
Daniel Chitenderu
Isaac Masiya

RUSAPI DISTRICT

M. J. Murphree, Superintendent.

Chiduku Circuit

Muziti
Gururi
Mataranyika
Kufa
Chiduku
Sharara
Katsidzura
Chitewera
Mugomba
Kapfwona
Gorikori
Mupesi
Bako
Chikunda

To be supplied
Phillip Chieza
Elmer Kazomba
To be supplied
Jacob Mandizera
Isaiah Masamba
Joshua Chirikuutsi
Paul Chiwanga
Simeon Machiri
To be supplied
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Gandanzara Circuit

Gandanzara
Tswiro
Mukahanana
Zuzi
Mapara
Dingi

Benjamin Katsidzira
Benjamin Katsidzira
Wilson Mandisodza
To be supplied
Maxin Mutambanengwe
Kenneth Marange
Amos Karumbidza
Moses Chitakatira
Daniel Muranda

OLD UMTALI DISTRICT

R. C. Gates, Superintendent.

Hartzell Institute

Principal, and Proff. of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry
Pastor of Church and Director of Industrial Department
Dean of Theological Department
Dean of Literary and Normal Department
Literary Department Associates

G. A. Roberts
F. G. Mauger
M. J. Murphree
R. C. Gates
Mrs. G. A. Roberts
Mrs. F. G. Mauger

School for Married Women	{ Mrs. M. J. Murphree Mrs. R. C. Gates
Assistants in Literary Department	Clifford Faku Amos Kapenzi Silas Chitakatira John Nduna
Assistants in Industrial Department	Solomon Mabambe Gibson Makaure
Assistant in Agricultural Department	<i>To be supplied</i>
Assistant in Theological Department	Josiah Chimbadzwa
Dispensary	Ellen E. Bjorklund Ruth E. Hansson
Assistant in Dispensary	David Sakutomba
Fairfield Girls School	Marjorie L. Fuller Ila Scovill
Assistants	Mildred Benson Grace Mafokosha Sarah Mandisodza Ellina Sami
Old Umtali Circuit	Isaiah Munjoma
Manyarara	Jackson Rugayo
Mandiambira	<i>To be supplied</i>
Marara and Mundeda	Thomas Pedzeni
Chiremba	Watt Makaza
Penhalonga	Zachariah Mukombiwa Edison Musiwacho
Premier Estate	Enock Munjoma
Barry's Farm	Amos Kapswara
Umtasa Circuit	Isaiah Darikwa
Nyakatsapa	Isaiah Darikwa
Nhuhama	Morrison Parhwehosi
Nyamakwarara	James Mujene
Mandeya	Elisha Makoni
Maguwa	Abisha Mujene
Rupinda	Stephen Chirewa
Samanga	Samuel Matonga
Buwu	Moses Chisamba
Zinyembe	James Chikusi
Shirukuru	Joshua Mutsago
Vumbum	Paul Mareya David Nyafukwe

MREWA DISTRICT

H. I. James, Superintendent.

Mrewa Center

Principal of School	H. I. James
Dispensary	Mrs. H. I. James
Assistants in School	Samuel Chieza Paul Kangarade

Mrewa Circuit

Chaanetsa
 Chidakwa
 Chiguri and Mukusha

 Chikono
 Diza and Nyamatumbu
 Choruwa
 Gosha
 Gumbanjera
 Gosha and Jacobs
 Kambarami
 Karumazondo
 Mapanga and Maziwanhanga
 Marongedza and Tome
 Marumisa and Dzongu
 Mrewa Kraal and Bere
 Mutizi
 Nyagwizo

To be supplied

Morton Kannda
 Peter Chitiyo
 Abrahama Tsoko
 Gidion Mukadota
 Lawrence Machekeche
 Thomas Matara
 Roderick Kunyarimwe
 Solomon Pawirimanzi
 Joshua Muledzwa
 Solomoni Mapara
 Samson Sora
 William Chieza
 Luke Chieza
 Jonah Kanynuchi
 Solomon Munotomaui
 Amos Chifetete
 Daniel Matema
 Dawson Cheke

Headlands Circuit

Arnoldene
 Chigudu
 Chikore
 Dawara
 Fusire
 Magara and Zowa
 Munuhwa
 Mufunde
 Musbenje
 Mutibura
 Mvuvududzi
 Zingwa

David Mandisodza

To be supplied
 Stephen Chikwana
 James Mrewa
 Jotham Risinamudzi
 John Cheke
 Daniel Chitayika
 Jefferson Siyawamwaya
 Simeon Dzapasi
To be supplied
 Joseph Makuto
 Samson Bumhira
 Isaiah Tsopotsa

NYADERI DISTRICT

T. A. O'Farrell, Superintendent.

Nyaderi Center

Nurse (W.F.M.S.)
 Native Assistant
 Woman's Foreign Missionary
 Society
 District Worker
 Native Assistant

T. A. O'Farrell

Ona Parmenter
 Job Tsiga
 Frances Quinton
 Bertha Ramsey
 Grace Clark
 Moses Gwata
 Leah Katsidzira
 Ruth Mushamboza
 Norali Mafudza
 Susannah Marange

Dispensary Assistants

Nyaderi Circuit

Chidodo and Chimbwanda
 Kagandi

To be supplied

Stephen Mukouda
To be supplied

Kasambarari and Magaya
Mapanda and Makokoro
Mugabi
Mupaya
Mutanho and Maugo

Nyakabau, Gwenambira and
Chisinde
Nyamakopi, Gurure and
Chisinde

Sori
Zanga and Kangara

Peter Mufundi
John Wesley Mukasa
Phillip Kondo
To be supplied
Joseph Chakonda
Jonathan Marange
Phillip Pundo
Nathan Chieza

Solomon Chiwara
Noah Kalowangoma
Joshua Mujuru
Nichodemus Chikazhi

Uzumba Circuit

Chifunde
Chingairo
Chitimbe
Dandara

Gadaga
Gotoro
Kaseke
Katiyo
Mashambanhaka and Nyagina

Matyekera
Mudarikwa and Gurure
Sadza
Zaranyika
Salisbury

To be supplied
David Mudarikwa
Ellison Mberege
James Musiarira
Murashwa Katsidzira
Edwin Matimbanyoka
Aaron Mkewu
Peter Zisengwe
Maurice Mazunda
Shadrech Karimanzira
Josia Mrewa
Patrick Mugabezi
Samuel Pendeke
Richards Karumazondo
Obediah Kanyoko
Matthew Chinewu
Titus Marange

MTOKO DISTRICT.

Wilfred Bourgaize, Superintendent.

Mtoko Center

Native Teacher
District Evangelist

Harrison Marange
Ngazana Sadomba

Mtoko Circuit

Chifodlya
Chingwena
Chitekwe
Chitiyo and Kawere
Katambarari
Katonha
Kowo
Madimutsi
Madzande
Makosa
Mazarura
Mutswairi and Tsiga
Mwenyi

David Gurupira
David Njagu
Paul Muranda
Benson Manyanga
To be supplied
Shadrach Nyemba
Samuel Gurende
Jonathan Murumbedzi
Samuel Kapito
Andrew Goremazondo
Ciprian Urudzi
Elisha Mvududu
Petros Nyawasha

Nyamkoho
Nyamkondiwa

Nyangu and Mfawa
Nyatsini
Peisa
Penga Penga

Nason Kowo
Titus Dzemwa
Johan Machingarufu
Phillip Pukarakati
Simeon Chiwara
Samuel Dzemwa
David Zaranyika

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

Medical Work
Mission Correspondent

Joint Editors Umbowo
and Sunday School Lessons
On Furlough

Dr. S. R. P. Montgomery
R. C. Gates
Mrs M. J. Murphree
Miss Marjorie Fuller
Georgia Beven
Beulah Reitz
Stella Hess
L. E. Tull
Mrs. L. E. Tull
Pearl Mullikin

Part VI.

REPORTS

(a) Reports of District Superintendents

REPORT OF J. R. GATES

Superintendent of Old Umtali and Mutambara Districts.

With the singing of hymn number 560 "And Are We Yet Alive?" time's curtain slowly unfurled and falls upon the short twenty-second act of a great drama of real life. Could hearts sound their sentiments there would be deafening applause bursting forth from more than 10,000 redeemed and enraptured hosts of Jehovah who have been led from darkness into the Light and from death's blackest bondage into life's most glorious liberty.

Thus far the drama has been staged in two parts of an equal number of acts. The eleventh and final session of the East Central Africa Mission Conference convened here in 1915. The eleventh session of the Rhodesia Mission Conference here and now in convention tableaus a cast whose personnel is numerically much larger and intrinsically of much greater and wider worth.

At the close of the first act the curtain fell against silent, fearful darkness. As blackness pervaded the skin, so it penetrated mind and spirit, and not the slightest evidence of appreciation or applause to greet the wearied players. Today the stalwart souls fleshed in black answer the roll call of the cast of characters and their souls shine as from the eastern sky of a silver morning. And with them stand two hundred others witnessing to the wealth of the Abundant Life. And Oh, hearts, hear and be hearted by the joyous clamor and call of the more than 10,000 who wait for the curtain to rise upon the next act. Also, thousands call for whom we have no seats and against whom the doors are closed.

Our gain has been about three hundred and fifty per year for thirty years, or in another way, every act has made five hundred converts to the cause of Christ. Here we are assembled tableaued between the twenty-second and the twenty-third acts. True the tableau light shows each one up at his best. God grant that best self is the real self that shall be the supreme and sacrificial servant of the world's only Saviour for the ensuing year.

In the seven months since the curtain last rose each one has been called of God to play his full part, what have we been doing from Inyanga to Melsetter, form the Portuguese border to the Sabi river? Little enough compared to the size of the opportunity and the vastness and urgency of the need. Yet we have proclaimed the Saving Gospel in a 1,000 villages, and sent the Truth home to 30,000 hearts on the flaming instruments of more than 4,000 sermons. We have read God's searching Word to upwards of 15,000 eager spirits and had the unfailing assurance that His Word would not return unto him void, but accomplish its full errand. We have built five new churches and repaired twenty others. We have visited a mighty host of sick and sinful souls, and led a

thousand trembling hearts to the Altar of God's forgiving and healing Grace. We have traveled more than five thousand miles shod only with the preparation of the Gospel of Peace and have built foundations for work that shall break the present bounds. Yet again we have applied ourselves constantly to the intensive finishing of the superstructure that we may have a building of God after the architecture of His own pattern and plan. We have held seven thousand eight hundred class meetings, one thousand nine hundred fifty Sunday School teachers training classes, conducted over two thousand Sunday School sessions and taught more than nine thousand Sunday School class periods. We have also taught seven thousand days in seventy day-schools with an average of over one thousand a day. Most of the foregoing is the surging life of the circuit. At the centers where Life throbs like the great grinding might of a grist mill we have put in more than seven hundred hours in Bible training work, more than three thousand hours in teaching Literary and Normal subjects, more than five hundred hours in class and on two hundred acres of land giving essential instruction in Agriculture and Animal Husbandry and given more than six hundred hours to teaching other Industrial subjects. Boys and girls, men and women have come into the benefit of these outputs of spiritual and mental life. Then there has been unnumbered hours given and received in consultation and supervision, hundreds of miles of travel in circuit visitation and more than twenty Quarterly Conferences and meetings held. We have administered the Sacraments of the Lord's Supper and of Baptism to more than four thousand of God's chosen children. We have treated upwards of three thousand five hundred bodily ills and scores of unspotted infant souls have been brought safely into this world and given a fair start on the long-short journey of Earth's itinerary.

Some departments and some sections register excellent results, others not so good but the average marks a happy, hopeful progress. We are confident that God has moved in His own mysterious and mighty way in every gesture and in the total vast volume of Labor and Life and Love that has been heaved for the destruction of the strongholds of Satan and heaved for the construction of the Kingdom of the great King. Before the calender shall close two men will have emerged from the hearth of heathen homes of local families and stand masters of the Eighth Standard and equipped with inherent insight into the traits and traditions of their own tribes and be able to teach and preach without the barrier of being foreign born. This is an outstanding achievement. Not only do they stand aloft, preachers and teacher, God's ambassadors of His Gospel but they have blazed a trail to a level which others may read and reach.

Another penetrating and irresistible portion of work done is the printing, sale and distribution of literature that not only breaks soil but sows seed and brings to flower and full head a harvest of permanent good.

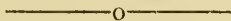
Do not let anyone think to submit the above named facts and figures to the test of accurate mathematical calculation lest he find, as he surely would do, that every one is an underestimate of the full truth and further find that thousands of things have been left uncounted that might have been enumerated.

A large and highly promising new event of the short year is the triumphant first trial of the Pastor-Teachers short term training school. This was conducted for thirty-three days, from April 19 to May 26 1927. It seems certain that we have found the remedy that will turn the slow

but sure and deadly decline of general efficiency on the part of Pastor-Teachers into a constantly upward climb and ever increasing ability. It is one of the bounden duties of the Conference to urge the continuation of the short term system and further to authorize and urge a plan that will enable Pastor-Teachers to enter the Theological Department of Hartzell Institute without being compelled to struggle with the full, comprehensive departmental course, and further to advocate that there be made available to Pastor-Teachers, and especially the native ministers, a short manual or some clear and helpful method of study, so that when they are solely on their own they may still make progress instead of being so utterly helpless.

Should other imminent issues be raised in this report? No less than thirty other strategic and constructive proposals fight for flow off this indelible pencil, but once again they must be content to retire in a loose-leaf note book without so much as a line of recognition.

Into the short act against which the the fateful curtain unfurls long happy lines of lyric have played lamb-like across the stage. God sent joy and song which have made light the face and loosened the tongue to praise. Tragedy has also torn at the breast where nearest lay the crimson flow of Life. Only yesterday a head that once had felt the hand of God's holy baptism was capped in black and noosed in the deadly circle of a hangman's rope. Time's ending signal was given, the trap of death sprung and gloomy gallows claimed life, and a soul went out to give his account or find his record clean. True that for three weeks before this man's execution a man of God administered to him regularly from the saving word of a waiting Father and it truly seemed that that Father so merciful and tender and so wont to forgive came forth and while he was yet a long way off fell upon his neck and kissed him and put again upon him the robe, the sandals and the ring. Death's tragic tale turned to triumphant life. But alas many have left the Father's house never to return. Comedy has also danced clown-like into many a tense situation and somehow some feel that it is not a sin to think that God laughs. And anyhow while God's heart must hurt for many hindrances and many needful righteous deeds left undone, yet as the curtain rolls into its sockets by the footlights and we look reverently and longingly toward that Holy Presence that has pervaded every act and every scene of joy, and sorrow, and poverty and wealth, and death and life, we feel in no unmistakable confidence that upon that Holy Father's face and across it is the Grace-lit Love-lit smile.



REPORT OF T. A. O'FARRELL

Superintendent of Mrewa District.

The Conference year has been only a little more than seven months in length. But if we consider the accomplishments in Mission work, economic developments and new legislation which vitally affect the Native people and Missions, and the rise of a new race consciousness which is giving our people a totally new social and politic outlook, it is probably the most significant Conference year we have ever passed thru:

In Mrewa District we have been understaffed, and have received such a small appropriation that we have been compelled to work under strain and embarrassment. In addition five of our missionaries and Rev. Maudisodza have been in hospital, three for operations. In the providence of God all are either recovered or are well on the road to recovery. But in spite of all this it has been a good year for work. We have not had the usual heavy rains and there has been no interruption. Perhaps there is no need to pass around compliments. But I think I speak for every missionary and every Native minister and teacher when I say that we have tried to take care of the charge entrusted to us, and we have enjoyed our work. It has been a privilege to work together and with Him. There have been some experiences during the year that will make all of the future brighter and richer.

There has been only one change in plans. Mr. Tull's inability to come to Nyadiri to take Mr. Wagner's place left a serious vacancy. But Dr. Montgomery volunteered to look after the boys and the women did the teaching, station visitation and all took turns with the services. So the work has been carried on very well. A great deal of praise is due Edison for the way in which he has carried on the farm work.

The work on the circuits and stations has been carried on as usual. At both Salisbury and Headlands there has been increased efficiency in organization and supervision of the work. On the North and South Mrewa Circuits where expansion has not been attempted we have nevertheless to report an increase in students of about 459 and the work in general is very much improved. Uzumba Circuit also shows improvement. I am very grateful to Miss Clark for her help in visiting stations on both the Uzumba and North Mrewa Circuits. At Mtoko there has been that steady expansion of which we are all proud and which bids fair to take that land for Christ.

The school at Mrewa Center has had the best year in its history. A selected group of men and boys there are nearly everyone planning to enter Christian work. Five St. 3 and 2 men went out as teachers this year and five more went on to Old Umtali. Many of the girls who come here remain only a year or two, but back in the kraals again those girls are noticeable for their cleanliness, strength of character and qualities of leadership.

Nyadiri is growing rapidly and already exerts an influence which would do credit to a much older station. Two points are deserving of mention. First the rapid influx of girls, many of them from the newer stations; and second the desire of promising young married men to come and live at the location for school. It is a question how many can be accommodated. There seems no limit to the number of applicants.

At the close of last Conference we decided to attempt to bring help to the outstation teachers in the way of inspiration, Bible teaching, and some knowledge of teaching methods, especially to the lower standard teachers. Several plans were considered; but that finally adopted was to have the teachers meet in groups at Nyadiri, Mtoko and Mrewa, for about two days at a time and at intervals of a few weeks. Most of the instruction is given by Miss Clark. A plan book is being worked out for each teacher. It has been very interesting to watch the developments in the stations. Of course some have not made full use of what has been given them. But on the whole the schools are being improved far more than we had any right to expect. I find the teachers coming to school

early and getting the written work on the black boards, and the benches arranged ready for school. The written work is much neater than formerly. The grounds and buildings are better kept, better methods of teaching are used, and wholesome games are being taught. Of course much remains to be done. But great possibilities have been opened up. A few years of such work should give us schools of which we shall not be ashamed. It may be well to note here that there are within the district about 24 well built brick, Kimberley brick, or Pise' churches. Many have begun planting fruit trees. The Native Commissioner has asked us to cooperate with him in the planting of forest and fruit trees, the Government furnishing the money. Two stations have been selected for planting this year.

In every circuit there has been noticeable Spiritual growth. Fewer cases for discipline are coming up. In fact we are getting better Christians. The self support increases every quarter.

We held a splendid District Conference at Nyadiri in May. Besides the missionaries there were about 75 men in attendance. It is a pleasure to see them begin to assume responsibility, and give thought to the care of the work. Some of them express themselves very intelligently in debate. I could not help comparing it with the first District Conference which we held in 1922 when we spent at least half an hour getting everybody to understand what it meant to "make a motion."

Since our last Conference a rich tobacco harvest and a shortage of labor has brought the whole Native question into the limelight. Men of all classes have aired their views in the papers. Missionaries and Missions have been abused as never before by some. By others they have been as extravagantly praised. By still others we have been accused of not doing enough. The Radicals have been crying, "Labor! Labor! Get it by any possible method, for a fortune is to be made in tobacco." At this very time the Government was busy formulating a liberal native policy. Land was being given them more generously. Native education was being provided for more adequately than we expected to see in twenty years. It is perfectly apparent that the native is to be educated now whether he wants it or not. Europeans have jostled each other in criticising and approving the policy. On the whole the plan is being approved. But probably the only reason that education is not being taken right out of the hands of the Missions is the fact that the Government lacks European and Native teachers suitable for the task. It behooves us to use the time well during the next decade or two. When we see what is happening in China and India today we can easily believe it may happen here tomorrow.

But for the present we are to have very liberal assistance from the Government. It is a providential opportunity, and we should cooperate with the Government in every way we can. Most of these men have the welfare of the native at heart. The Rhodesian native suddenly finds himself really appreciated. He is to be given enough land for his present use. Wages are advancing, working condition improving. One large employer recently told the recruiter to make 25s. the minimum wage. And employers boast today of being popular with the natives. We should do all in our power to help bring about a feeling of mutual respect between the races. There never has been such a favorable time as the present for such work. How long this favorable condition may last none can say. But one cannot help thinking that Rhodesia is in a pivotal position, and that these leaders whom we are developing today may become pilots of their race in far larger areas than Rhodesia.

There are some financial aspects that are of vital importance to our work. The third class school is in particular receiving special attention. In selecting missionaries for the future we must consider men qualified to supervise outstations because of the special grants being offered.

It looks as though we are to be disappointed in expecting larger support from home. That is, we are being put onto our feet and told to walk many years earlier than we expected it. The question is, can we as a Conference begin to walk alone? By the Grace of God I believe we can. We think of ripe fields not yet entered and wonder how we can enter them now. We think of institutions that need more adequate support. One thing is certain. We must husband our resources as never before. Every part of the work that can produce income must produce it. It seems providential that we are ready to begin Home Mission work in real earnest. Our people will now begin to bear the burden of evangelizing the fields beyond.

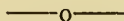
(b) Reports of Standing Committees and Boards.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

Our task as Christian workers is to evangelize Africa. It is not a task that can be finished in a definite length of time and then left to stand, but requires constant and sustained effort. Much of our territory is still in darkness. Many of our natives have not had even a glimpse of the light. It is for us to do our utmost to reach them. But it is equally as important to re-evangelize our own church people. Although evangelism should be emphasized at all times, still the periodical revival meetings fill a great need in the church. They give an opportunity to the people to re-dedicate their lives to the Lord's service, make a new stand against sin, turn the page that is all marred with failures and mistakes and make another start on a clean page of life's book. With these gracious out-pourings of the Holy Spirit, the religious emotions are raised to a high pitch and we must guard against carrying this to excess and against detrimental effects of the reaction that is likely to follow.

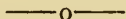
Our native workers are Pastor-Teachers, not Teacher-Pastors. Evangelism comes first. Education without religion is worse than heathenism. The pastor-teacher should not be content unless every one in his school is a Christian. He cannot, however, do all the work himself and his success will depend largely upon his ability to make people work with him. The part of the last year's report regarding healthful play to take the place of heathen dances, etc. will bear repetition. Simple games should be taught to all the Pastor-Teachers.

It is recommended that a committee consisting of M. J. Murphree, F. G. Manger and Clifford Faku be appointed to compile from all minutes of the Rhodesia Mission Conference the special advices now in effect, and present them to the Publication Committee for printing and distribution.



REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS.

It is recommended that a committee consisting of J. R. Gates, E. H. Greely, M. J. Murphree, and F. G. Manger be appointed to take charge of publishing the new Hymn Book, and to find ways of financing this project.



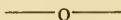
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We are glad to have our Bishop Johnson with us again. His warm friendship and personal interest bring courage and inspiration to all of us. We only wish that he might stay in our midst for a longer time.

We give a hearty welcome to our new missionary, Miss Benson. We have already learned to love her and feel that our work will be greatly benefited by her presence. We wish her many years of joy and success in this work.

It is with the greatest regret and sincere sorrow that we record the retirement of our senior and most honored and best loved missionary, Rev. E. H. Greeley, D. D. He has served faithfully and well for thirty-nine years. Thousands of people in Africa will still be singing God's praises in hymns written by Mr. Greeley, long after we of this 1927 conference have retired. We sincerely hope that we may have the benefits of his counsel as well as his labor for many years and that he may be as much a part of the work as ever. May God's richest blessings be upon him, continually renewing his strength and giving him great peace of soul.

We have again been most agreeably and hospitably received at Old Umtali, and take pleasure in thanking our several hosts and hostesses for their kind entertainment.



REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

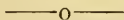
We are glad to report that the Church in the Rhodesia Mission Conference seems to be in a healthy, growing condition. There is increased evangelistic effort throughout the length and breadth of our work, increase in number of members and adherents, the large number of new, permanent buildings, and increase in self-support. We wish to especially commend the extra effort which has been made in some circuits to provide extra funds to carry on the work. In Chiduku Circuit more than fifty-seven pounds was raised when twenty-five was asked for.

We regret, however, that tithing does not seem to have been stressed as in some former years and we would urge that our pastor-teachers be stirred up along this line and that they, in turn, awaken the people. Many of our members are increasing in wealth, and that largely through what they have learned from the mission and yet they do not realize the duty of stewardship.

For many years we have emphasized the importance of work among the Indians and colored people. So far nothing has been done and the need increases. Mohammedan traders are settling among our people and influencing for Mohammed those whom we have won to Christ. We understand from Bishop Fisher that a man from India could be obtained for this work and we call the attention of the Finance Committee to this matter and urge that steps be taken at once.

This Conference expresses its full accord with the action of the General Conference of 1924 in its recommendations regarding Education for World Peace. We urge that this subject receive the attention of our missionaries and Pastor-Teachers, especially by the observation of November 6 as Peace Sunday, and that a Prayer for Peace be used at the Communion service. Since the young people in our Sunday Schools will be the future moulders of opinion among the natives we recommend

that they be warned against the evils of war and taught the Christian principle of arbitration.



REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

1. We recommend that the Bible Department of Hartzell Institute incorporate in its course of study a course whereby the Pastor-Teachers may be enrolled in the Theological Course only if they so desire. Such course to be subject to the Hartzell Institute Faculty.

2. We recommend that this department provide a comprehensive syllabus of religious instruction for out-station schools.

3. We recommend that the short term training school for Pastor-Teachers be continued and the course of study include Bible, Preaching, Church Organization, School Methods, Hygiene, Physical Training, Music, etc.

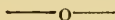
4. We recommend that a committee consisting of Mr. R. C. Gates, Mrs. Taylor, Miss Ramsey, Clifford Faku, and Reginald Ngonyama be appointed to make investigations of text books suitable for use in our schools throughout the Conference and that they prepare to present their recommendations to the Board of Education next year for consideration.

5. We recommend that the Board of Education be made a Standing Committee throughout the Conference year, so that they may have oversight and control of our whole educational system.

6. We recommend that the faculty at Hartzell Institute be authorized to allocate to the various districts the teachers who leave the Central Training School, this distribution to be made in accordance with the standard and qualifications of the candidates and the needs of the work. We urge that the District Superintendents keep the faculty informed of the needs of their work and that the faculty inform the District Superintendents of the candidates available and also of the Standard and qualifications of these out-going teachers.

7. We recommend that Mr. R. C. Gates make a visit to Dambashawa to make a thorough investigation of their text books and grading with a view to making our system of grading conform with theirs.

8. We recommend that in view of the requirements in the new "Order D" the following rules be referred to the Publishing Committee to be printed in Chimanyika and that copies be posted in all our schools. (Due to their length, these rules, which are to be made otherwise available, are not printed here.—Ed.)



REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOSPITALS AND MEDICAL WORK.

We repeat the recommendation of last year that we put forth an effort through all of our work to find Standard girls for training in maternity work.

We recommend that a special effort be made to find boys that want medical training and see that their special work in school be given in the medical work.

We recommend that where there is a native trained maternity worker the Pastor-Treacher in that center be asked to use his influence to get the women who need help to make use of this worker.

We recommend that efforts be made to secure more adequate provisions for the work at Old Umtali.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS

We have examined the records of the Mrewa District Conference and found them to comply with the disciplinary requirements.

W. BOURGAIZE,
R. C. GATES.

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(c) Report of Special Committees

None.

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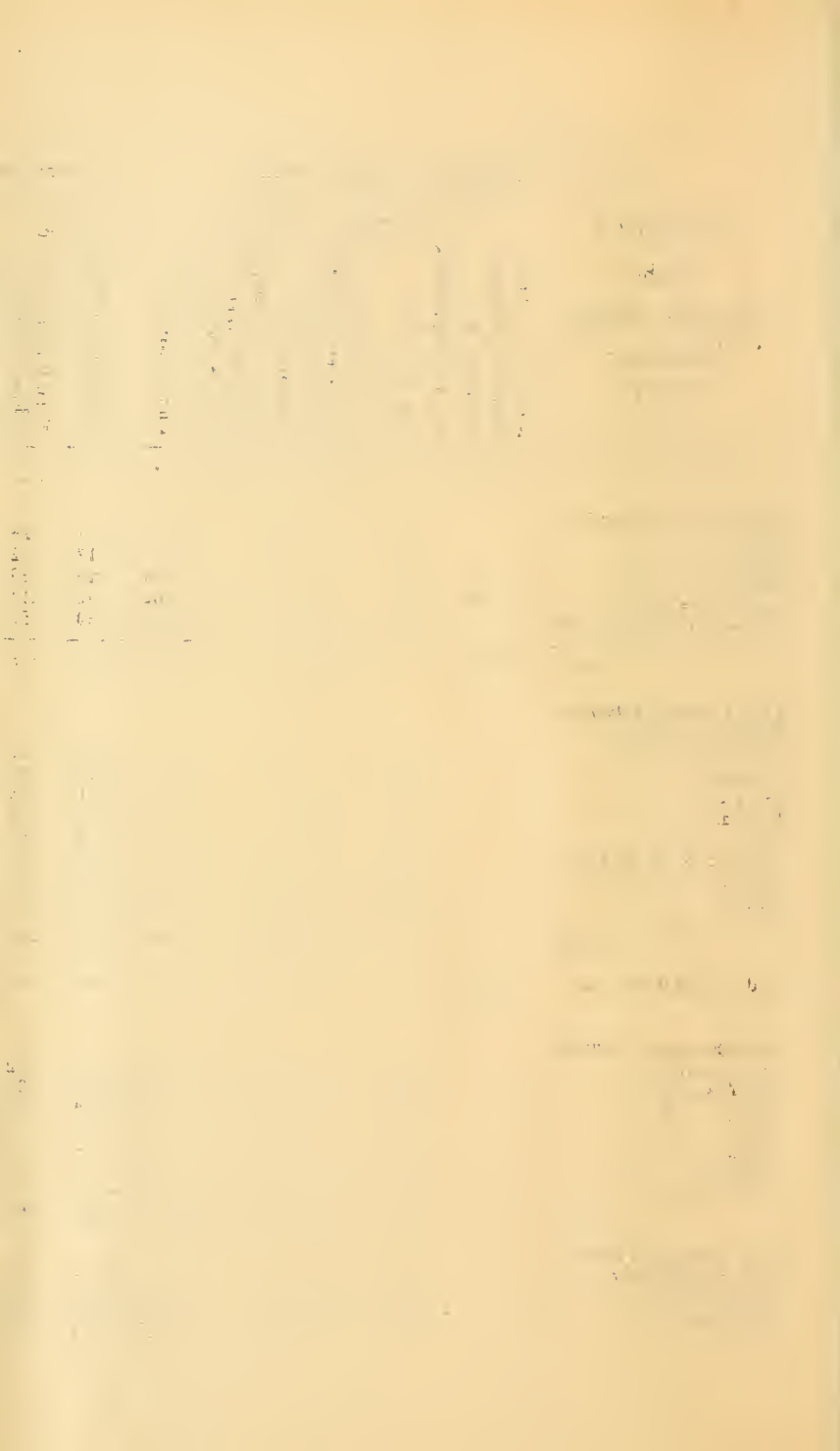
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Kawere & Chitiyo								1				2	19	21		21	2				1	57					2	1	52	52	1	10	1	8									3. .3		10.10.0	13.10.3			
Kowo & Demera								1				25	17	42		42	1	7	3	5		90					2	1	80	80	1	20	1	12									6.19.0		19.10.0	26. 9.0			
Madimutsa								1				1	9	10		10	9				1	50					1	1	45	45	1	10	1	8										1.11.3		5.10.0	7. 1.3		
Madzande								1				2	16	18		18	6	2	1		1	95					1	1	90	90	1	10	1	8										3. 5.9		9.19.0	12.15.9		
Makora								1				1	13	14		14	9				1	30					1	1	28	28	1	10	1	8									2. 3.9		6. 0.0	8. 3.9			
Mapanda & Makokoro								2				28	40	68		68	8	5		8	2	98					2	2	88	88	2	40	2	20										8. .3		19. 5.0	27. 5.3		
Mazarura								1				2	16	18		18	12				1	50					1	1	45	45	1	20	1	8										2. 2.0		8.10.0	10.12.0		
Mtoko Center	1				1			1				27	40	67	1	68	4	6		1	1	90				1	2	85	85	1	30	2	680	510										11. .9		31.10.0	42.10.9		
Mutswairi & Tsiga								1				37	70	107	1	108	17	7		11	1	65				1	2	1	60	60	2	30	1	12										10. 5.9		13. 0.0	23. 5.9		
Mwenyi												2		2		2					1	30					2	1	25	25	1	10	1	8											11.6		11.6		
Nyakabao								1				28	34	62		62	14	4		5	1	140					1	1	130	130	1	10	1	8											7. 3.3		11. 0.0	18. 3.3	
Nyamakopi								1				26	53	79	6	85	14	8		8	1	145					1	2	45	45	1	20	1	12											6. 4.6		17.10.0	23.14.6	
Nyamkondiwa								1				3	3	6		6	3			3	1	50					1	1	45	45	1	10	1	8											1.19.9			1.19.9	
Nyamkoho								1				2	1	3	1	4	1				1	50					1	1	45	45	1	20	1	8											1.15.0			1.15.0	
Nyangu & Mfawa								1				2	9	11		11	8	4			1	52					1	1	44	44	2	20	1	8											1.11.6		7.10.0	9. 1.6	
Nyatsini								1				4	12	16		16	2	3		1	1	40					1	1	37	37	1	10	1	8												4. 5.9		4.15.0	9. 0.9
Peisa								1				2	3	5		5	3				1	45					1	1	40	40	1	10	1	8												1. 4.3		1. 4.3	

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	Men	Board Missionaries	W. F. M. S.	Other Foreign Workers	Ordained Con. Mem.		Unordained		Church Members	Preparatory Members	Total Preparatory and Full Members	Baptized Children not in Cols. 13 and 14	Total Christian Commu- nity (Cols. 13, 14, 16.)	Preparatory Members Rec'd during year	Non-Resident Members	Deaths During year	Adults Baptized	Children Baptized	No. Sunday Schools	No. Scholars	No. Boarding Schools	No. Teachers	Students	No. Elementary Schools	No. of Teachers	Students	Total Under Instruction	No. Churches	Estimated Value of Churches	No. Parsonages	Estimated Value of Parsonages	Estimated Value, Schools Hospitals, Printing Press, Land, etc.	Estimated Value, all W. F. M. S. Property	DEBT		Contributions, Support Local Church, Ch. Col- lections, Tithe, etc.	For Building Repairs, Equipment, etc.	For Other Local Purp. Gov't Grant, Farm Produce, etc.	Total Contributions on Field						
					Full Members	On Trial	Local Preachers	Conf. memb. On Trial																										Local Preachers	Exhorters					Other Native Workers	Native Workers of W. F. M. S.				
					2	3	4	5																										6	7					8	9	10	11	12	13
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44		
Penga-Penga Sassa & Chatisa								1			1		1		1		78						1	30				1	1	25	25	1	£ 10	1	£ 8	£					£ 3.3			3.3	
								1			1		1		18	19	114	9	2				1	40				1	1	36	36	2	20	1	12					2. 3.6			2. 3.6		
Totals	1					1		15	12				230	513	743	10	753	164	68	7	52	5	27	1733	1	2	10	32	31	1541	1541	32	460	26	896	510				100. 0.9		234.10.0	334.10.9		
Uzumba Circuit																																													
Chidodo								1			17	7	24	12	36	0					0	2	1	50				1	1	42	42	1	10	1	8					2.15.6			2.15.6		
Chimbwanda										5	4	9	1	10							1	0	1	50				1		46	46	1	5					1. 0.0			1. 0.0				
Kasambarare & Magaya								1		10	29	39	6	45	1						0	0	1	100				2	1	121	121	2	15	1	8					2.10.3			2.10.3		
Mugabe								1		5	17	22		22	2						0	0	1	60				1	1	54	54	1	10	1	8					3. 8.6			3. 8.6		
Mutanho								2		26	22	48	25	73	6						5	2	1	125				2	2	120	120	1	15	1	8					3.15.9			3.15.9		
Mango																																													
Mupaya								1		13	16	29	6	35	7						2	0	1	65				1	1	62	62	1	20	1	8					2. 5.0			2. 5.0		
Nyadiri	2	1	5					2		75	53	128	44	172	0						2	8	1	225	1	10	122	1	10	103	225	1	50	2	1500	2200	2700				16.18.9		451.10.0	468. 8.9	
Sori & Kugomba								1		16	18	34	7	41	0						0	0	1	70				1	1	64	64	2	15	1	8					2.19.0			2.19.0		
Zanga										6	14	20	9	29	2						1	0	1	45				1	1	47	47											17.0			17.0
Kangara								1		5	5	10		10	5						0	0	1	60				2		55	55	1	10	1	8					7.3			74. 5.0		74.12.3
Totals	2	1	5					7	3		3		178	185	363	110	473	23			11	12	10	850	1	10	122	12	18	714	836	12	165	9	1556	2200	2700				36.17.0		525.15.0	562.12.0	
Mutambara District																																													
Marange Circuit																																													
Makomwe								1		35	40	75	13	88	2						2		1	221				3	3	131	131	3	120	3	30					5. 2.3					
Chirinda									1	15	17	32	1	33							2	1	1	126				1	1	48	48	1	10	1	8					2. 9.9					
Chipangu								1		11	9	20		20									1	33				1	1	25	25	1	10	1	8					14.6					
Gwawawa								1		19	33	52	27	79							2		1	156				1	1	38	38	1	10	1	8					1.19.0					
Mafarikwa									1	8	11	19	3	22	2						2	2	1	167				1	1	50	50	1	10	1	8					1.15.6					
Matanda								1		52	45	97	37	134	3	10	1				5	1	1	171				1	1	55	55	1	10	1	8					4.13.0					
Masasi								1		4	7	11	0	11							4		1	91				1	1	50	50	1	10	1	8					2. 1.0					
Musauri								1		13	19	32	30	62	4						4	1	1	89				1	2	55	55	1	10	2	12					1. 3.6					
Mutsago								1		32	31	63	18	81	5						6		1	150				1	2	55	55	1	10	2	12					2. 2.9					
Shunduri								1		17	30	47	21	68	4							2	1	103				1	1	45	45	1	10	1	8					1.13.0					
Wendumba								1		3	3	6		6	1						2		1	45				1	1	34	34	1	10	1	8					1. 4.4					
Odzi								1		18	21	39	31	70	1						4	2	1	42				1	1	32	32			1	8					3.4.11					
Totals								3	9				227	266	493	181	674	22	13	1	33	9	12	1394				14	16	618	618	13	220	16	126					28. 3.6		90. 0.0	118. 3.6		

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	Men	Women	Board Missionaries	W. F. M. S.	Other Foreign Workers		Ordained Con. Mem.		Unordained		Church Members	Preparatory Members	Total Preparatory and Full Members	Baptized Children not in Cols. 13 and 14	Total Christian Commu- nity (Cols. 13, 14, 16.)	Preparatory Members Rec'd during year	Non-Resident Members	Deaths During year	Adults Baptized	Children Baptized	No. Sunday Schools	No. Scholars	No. Boarding Schools	No. Teachers	Students	No. Elementary Schools	No. of Teachers	Students	Total Under Instruction	No. Churches	Estimated Value of Churches	No. Parsonages	Estimated Value of Parsonages	Estimated Value, Schools Hospitals, Printing Press, Land, etc.	Estimated Value, all W. F. M. S. Property	DEBT		Contributions, Support Local Church, Ch. Col- lections, Tithe, etc.	For Building Repairs, Equipment, etc.	For Other Local Purp. Gov't Grant, Farm Produce, etc.	Total Contributions on Field			
					Full Members	On Trial	Local Preachers	Conf. memb. On Trial	Local Preachers	Exhorters																										Other Native Workers	Native Workers of W. F. M. S.					On Real Estate	Amount paid	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44
Mutambara Circuit																																												
Chitora											1		17	7	24	8	32	4			3	7	1	37				1	1	22	22	1	10	1	8					2.12.3	18	4.10.0	7. 2.3	
Dunhu										1		15	17	32	12	44	2				3	1	60				1	1	65	65	1	10	1	8					4. 5.6	8		4. 5.6		
Munyarari										1		16	14	30	5	35	7				3	4	1	75				1	1	70	70	1	10	1	10					4. 0.3	20	11. 5.0	15. 5.3	
Mutambara Center	1	1	5					1	2	1		3	162	92	254	39	293	16	81	1	3	3	1	365	2	13	150	1	14	85	235	1	500	6	1130	3966	5610			28. 3.0		539.0.0	567. 3.0	
Nyambeya & Mutsiabako								1					26	30	56	14	70	5				6	1	18				1	1	32	32	1	25	1	8					2. 7.3		3. 5.0	5.12.3	
Totals	1	1	5					1	4	3		3	236	160	396	78	474	34	81	1	10	23	5	555	2	13	150	5	18	274	424	5	555	10	1164	3976	5610			41. 8.3	46	558. 0.0	645. 8.3	
Old Umtali District																																												
Chiduku Circuit																																												
Chiduku										1		2	16	18	14	32	7					7	1	44				1	1	22	22	1	10	1	8					1. 3.3		3.10.0	4.13.3	
Chitewere										1		2	14	16		16	14					1	56				1	1	29	29	1	10	1	8					3. 4.6			3. 4.6		
Gurure												36	50	86	28	114	33	4		9	2	1	58				1	1	45	45	1	10	1	8					12. 5.6		7. 5.0	19.10.6		
Katsidzura								1				17	6	23	9	32	1			2	1	1	58				1	1	69	69	1	10	1	8					8.11.6			8.11.6		
Kufa								1				13	28	41	6	47	11			1	1	1	60				1	1	32	32	1	10	1	8					7. 0.6		4.15.0	11.15.6		
Mataranyika & Rukweza								1	1			37	38	75	33	108	8	2		4	2	1	141				1	1	101	101	1	45	1	8					12. 6.3	45	15. 5.0	12.11.3		
Muziti								1	1			131	34	165	50	215	7					1	102				1	2	103	103	1	45	2	16					18.19.6		15.10.0	34 9 6		
Sinarara									1	1		28	27	55	24	79	2			2	4	1	100				1	1	59	59	1	15	1	30					16. 8.6	30	4. 5.0	50.13.6		
Totals								5	5	1		266	213	479	164	643	83	9		18	17	8	619				8	9	460	460	8	155	9	94					86. 0.9	75	50.10.0	211.0.9		
Old Umtali Center	6	6	4	1	2			1	13		1	5	267	104	371	61	432	6	12	2	14	8	2	415	2	17	390			390	1	80	7	5000	24000	6200			41. 0.0	48	933.10.3	1022.10.3		
Gandanzara Circuit																																												
Gandanzara					1					1		219	53	272	94	366	3	3	1		4	1	280				1	2	165	165	1	50	2	30					25.14.0		23. 5.0	48.19.0		
Mukahanana								1	1			109	94	203	50	253	9	4		6	10	1	200				2	2	90	90	1	35	1	10					17. 0.0	5	10. 5.0	32. 5.0		
Ndingi									1			78	34	112	28	140		4		2	2	1	75				1	1	60	60	1	35	1	10					7 5.6		16.10.0	23.15.6		
Zuzi								1				24	10	34	3	37	6			3	3	1	80				1	1	50	50	1	35	1	10					4.12.0		2.15.0	7. 7.0		
Mapara									1			45	24	69	7	76		3		3	3	1	80				1	1	60	60	1	20	1	10					4.10.0		7. 5.0	11.15.0		
Tswikira									1			10	5	15	3	18					2	1	30				1	1	30	30	1	10					2. 9.0				2. 9.0			
Totals					1			2	5			485	220	705	185	890	18	14	1	15	21	6	745				7	8	455	455	6	985	6	70					61.10.6	5	60. 0.0	126.10.6		
Old Umtali Circuit																																												
Chikanga-Chiremba					1				1			62	24	86	11	97	3			3	1	2	65				1	1	37	37	1	5	1	8					5.17 6		6. 5.0	12. 2.6		
Mandimbira										1		38	12	50	17	67				3	1	1	67				1	1	40	40	1	75	1	8					4. 1.9		5.15.0	9.16.9		
Manyarara									1			68	16	84	32	116	8			2	3	1	139				1	1	89	89	1	75	1	8					6.11 9	25	8. 5.0	39.16.9		
Marara									1			40	10	50	21	71	1			1	3	1	72				1	1	40	40	1	50	1	8					3.18.6	40	7.15.0	51.13.6		



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(e) Report of Conference Treasurer

The Conference Treasurer reported no receipts and no disbursements.

(f) Reports of Other Treasurers

None.

(g) Miscellaneous Reports

None.

Part VII.

MEMOIRS

None.

Part VIII.

ROLL OF THE DEAD

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

(a) Members of Conference

Place of Birth	Entered Conference	Years of Missionary Service in Africa	Died	Age	Place of Burial
Buchwalter, Abraham L.		26	Aug. 3, 1917		Mourovía, Cal.
Gurney, Samuel	Long Branch, N. J.	1887	21	Aug. 3, 1924	64 Salisbury, S. Rhod.
Howard, Herbert N.		11	Mar. 7, 1925		Canandaigua, N. Y.

(b) Widows of Deceased Members; Wives of Members: None,

(c) Other Workers:

Miss Sadie Rexrode, W. F. M. S., aged 38, died January 22, 1921, after three years service in S. Rhodesia; buried at Old Umtali.

Mr. Charles F. Taylor, aged 67, missionary to China, died in the Umtali hospital, August 14, 1927, and was buried at Old Umtali.

Part IX.

HISTORICAL

(a) Sermons and Historical Addresses

None.

(b) Former Members and Probationers

R. E. Beetham	1901-1905	S. D. Coffin	1905-1913
J. L. DeWitt	1901-1905	W. C. Terril	1907-1915
E. H. Richards	1901-1913	G. A. Stockdale	1907-1911
M. W. Ehnes	1901-1905	Tizore Navess	1907-1913
J. M. Spruiger 1901-1910	1921-1924	H. N. Howard	1909-1924
R. Wodehouse	1901-1910	P. W. Keys	1909-1915
F. D. Wolf	1901-1907	F. Conquer	1909-1912
Samuel Gurney 1902-1905	1909-1924	C. H. Runfeldt	1909-1910
J. A. Baldwin	1903-1905	Muti Sikobele	1909-1913
J. H. Dimmit	1903-1905	C. A. Kent	1913-1916
D. A. Carson	1903-1903	J. D. Pointer	1913-1915
A. L. Buchwalter	1905-1917	J. G. Brass	1921-1923
J. E. Ferris	1905-1911		

(c) Conference Sessions

EAST CENTRAL AFRICA MISSION CONFERENCE

<i>Time</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Bishop</i>	<i>Secretary</i>
1901, Nov. 16	{ Umtali and } Old Umtali	Hartzell	Springer
1903, Sept. 29	Umtali	Hartzell	Beetham
1905, May 26	Umtali	Hartzell	Ferris
1907, Mar. 13	Umtali	Hartzell Burt . .	Ferris
1907, Nov. 22	Umtali	Hartzell	Ferris
1909, July 10	Umtali	Hartzell	Greeley
1910, Aug. 17	Old Umtali	Hartzell	Greeley
1911, June 7	Old Umtali	Hartzell, Wilson .	Gurney
1912, Feb. 17	Old Umtali	(Rev. J. R. Gates)	O'Farrell
1913, Oct. 22	Old Umtali	Hartzell	Greeley
1915, Jan. 20	Old Umtali	Hartzell	Greeley

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1916, Feb. 16	Old Umtali	(Rev. J. R. Gates)	Greeley
1917, May 3	Old Umtali	Johnson	Greeley
1917, Dec. 7	Old Umtali	Johnson	J. R. Gates
1919, Apr. 4	Umtali	Johnson	Gurney
1921, June 13	Old Umtali	Johnson	James
1922, June 14	Old Umtali	Johnson	James
1923, June 19	Old Umtali	Johnson	James
1924, Aug. 13	Old Umtali	Shepard	James
1925, June 23	Old Umtali	Johnson	James
1926, Nov. 4	Nyadiri	Johnson	Wagner
1927, June 14	Old Umtali	Johnson	R. C. Gates.

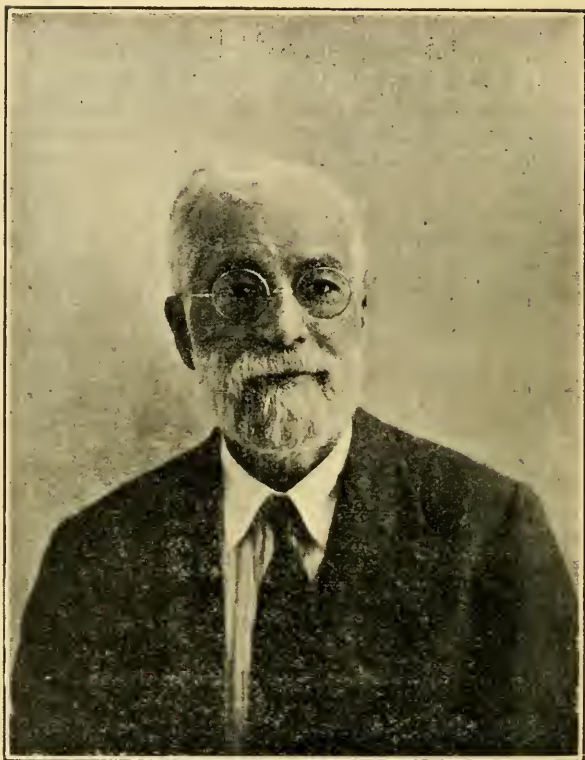
(d) Missionaries 1898—1927.

List of Missionaries sent to the Rhodesian Work by the Board of Foreign Missions and the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, beginning with the opening of the work in 1898, with dates of entering and leaving the work.

Rev. M. W. Ehnes . . .	1898-1901	Miss P. Mullikin . . .	1910-
Mrs. M. W. Ehnes . . .	1898-1901	{ Miss B. Fowles . . .	1911—
Rev. J. L. De Witt . . .	1899-1901	} Mrs. G. A. Roberts . . .	1912-
Mrs. J. L. De Witt . . .	1899-1901	} Miss R. N. Goddard . . .	1912-—
Mrs. Anna Arndt . . .	1899-1902	} Mrs. J. G. Paisley . . .	1915-1921
Mr. Herman Heinkle . . .	1899-1903	Miss G. Clark . . .	1912-
Rev. E. H. Greeley . . .	1900-	Rev. C. A. Kent . . .	1912-1915
Rev. R. Wodehouse . . .	1901-1910	Mrs. C. A. Kent . . .	1912-1915
Mrs. R. Wodehouse . . .	1901-1910	Rev. H. I. James . . .	1913-
Rev. J. M. Springer . . .	1901-1906	Mrs. H. I. James . . .	1913-
	1921-1924	Miss E. E. Bjorklund . . .	1913-
{ Mrs. H. F. Rasmussen . . .	1901-—	Miss E. A. Hess . . .	1915-
{ Mrs. J. M. Springer . . .	1905-1906	Miss F. Quinton . . .	1917-
	1921-1924	Miss S. Rexrode . . .	1918-1921
Miss H. E. Johnson . . .	1901-1904	Miss L. Tubbs . . .	1918-1923
Rev. R. E. Beetham . . .	1901-1905		1926-
Mr. G. M. Odum . . .	1901-1902	Rev. H. E. Taylor . . .	1919-
Rev. S. Gurney . . .	1903-1905	Mrs. H. E. Taylor . . .	1919-
	1909-1924	Miss O. Parmenter . . .	1920.
Mrs. S. Gurney . . .	1903-1903	Rev. M. J. Murphree . . .	1920-
Mr. D. A. Carson . . .	1902-1903	Mrs. M. J. Murphree . . .	1920-
Mrs. D. A. Carson . . .	1902-1903	Miss M. Fuller . . .	1921-
Rev. J. H. Dimmit . . .	1903-1903	Rev. A. DeJacoby . . .	1921-1921
Rev. G. A. Baldwin . . .	1903-1905	Mrs. A. DeJacoby . . .	1921-1921
Rev. J. E. Ferris . . .	1904-1909	Rev. W. Bourgaize . . .	1921-
Mrs. J. E. Ferris . . .	1904-1909	Rev. L. E. Tull . . .	1921-
Rev. S. D. Coffin . . .	1905-1911	Mr. W. C. Gardner . . .	1921-1925
{ Miss V. Swormstedt . . .	1905 —	Mrs. W. C. Gardner . . .	1921-1924
{ Mrs. S. D. Coffin . . .	1907-1911	Miss G. Beven . . .	1922-
Mr. E. L. Sechrist . . .	1906-1909	Miss B. Reitz . . .	1922.
Mrs. E. L. Sechrist . . .	1906-1909	Rev. R. C. Gates . . .	1922-
Rev. J. R. Gates . . .	1906-1914	Mrs. R. C. Gates . . .	1922-
	1916-	Miss A. Moore . . .	1922-
{ Miss H. L. Lodge . . .	1907-—	Rev. J. G. Brass . . .	1922-1923
{ Mrs. J. R. Gates . . .	1908-1914	Mrs. J. G. Brass . . .	1922-1923
	1916-	Rev. F. G. Mauger . . .	1923-
Miss E. M. Bell . . .	1907-1911	Mrs. F. G. Mauger . . .	1923-
Miss S. Coffin . . .	1907-1912	Miss Ethel McMann . . .	1923-
Rev. G. A. Roberts . . .	1907-	Miss Sarah King . . .	1923-
Rev. A. L. Buchwalter . . .	1909-1915	Miss B. Ramsey . . .	1924-
Mrs. A. L. Buchwalter . . .	1909-1915	R. F. Wagner . . .	1924-
Rev. H. N. Howard . . .	1909-1920	Miss J. G. Woodruff . . .	1925-
Mrs. H. N. Howard . . .	1909-1910	Miss Ila Scovill . . .	1925-
Miss E. D. Nourse . . .	1909-1921	Miss Oril Penney . . .	1926-
Rev. T. A. O'Farrell . . .	1910-	Miss Ruth E. Haussou . . .	1926-
Mrs. T. A. O'Farrell . . .	1910-	Miss Mildred O. Benson . . .	1926-

The following additional workers were hired here on the field:

Rev. M. H. Reid, 1898; Mrs. R. St. Tulloch, 1902; Mr. M. B. Spears, 1905; Mrs. H. Brown, 1903; Miss M. Brown, 1903; Miss Cuff, 1903; Mrs. T. Stratton, 1905; Miss E. Bennett, 1905; Rev. C. H. Beagley, 1906; Mr. W. H. Robson, 1906; Miss A. F. Gray, 1906; Rev. G. A. Stockdale, 1907; Mr. W. Garner, 1907; Mrs. W. Garner, 1907; Miss Blezzard, 1907; Mr. C. S. Till, 1910; Mrs. C. S. Till, 1910; Mrs. L. Carson, 1911; Mr. R. Mackenzie, 1912; Rev. T. B. Wallace, 1913; Mrs. R. B. Wallace, 1913; Mr. J. G. Paisley, 1912; Rev. William Garner, 1912; Mr. William Hodgson, 1917; Mrs. William Hodgson, 1917; Mr. S. C. Searle, 1918; Mrs. S. C. Searle, 1918; Mr. C. S. Till, 1920; B. J. E. Pretorius 1924; Mr. G. Pretorius 1925.



Eddy H. Greeley, D. D.

Dr. Greeley, more affectionately known as "Baba" (Father) Greeley, retired at the 1927 Conference after 39 years of labor for the Kingdom of God in Africa. He came out to Liberia, West Africa, under Bishop Taylor in 1888, coming to Rhodesia in 1900. He is a lover of the true, the good, and the beautiful. As a writer of Chimanyika Hymns and text-books, editor, linguist, printer, teacher, and preacher, the fruits of his faithful and devoted efforts are abundantly in evidence throughout our work in Rhodesia. He has done eminent work in the culture of flowers, plants, shrubs, and trees. Hamline University, his Alma Mater, honored him with the degree of Doctor of Divinity in 1922. Dr. Greeley is universally beloved by the native people and his fellow-missionaries who wish him many happy years in his retirement.

Part X

MISCELLANEOUS

(a) Plan of Conference Examinations for Europeans as per 1924 Discipline, Paragraph 620.

Undergraduates may sit for examinations at the seat of the Finance Committee meetings as well as at the seat of the Conference, the day before the opening of Conference.

Year	Study No.	Examiner
Admission on Trial	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6,	J. R. Gates W. Bourgaize M. J. Murphree T. A. O'Farrell R. C. Gates H. I. James
First Year	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Reading 1, 4, 2, 5, 3,	M. J. Murphree T. A. O'Farrell W. Bourgaize R. C. Gates H. I. James } J. R. Gates
Second Year	1, 2, 3, 4, Reading 1, 5, 2, 6, 3, 7, 4,	T. A. O'Farrell W. Bourgaize R. C. Gates M. J. Murphree } J. R. Gates
Third Year	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Reading 1, 4, 2, 5, 3, 6,	W. Bourgaize T. A. O'Farrell R. C. Gates M. J. Murphree H. I. James } J. R. Gates
Fourth Year	1, 2, 3, 4, Reading 1, 4, 2, 5, 3,	T. A. O'Farrell R. C. Gates M. J. Murphree W. Bourgaize } J. R. Gates

PLAN OF EXAMINATIONS

Course of Study for Native Ministers,
Authorized by the Rhodesia Mission Conference.

For Admission on Trial

Book.	Examiner.
1, The Articles of Religion	R. C. Gates
2, South African History	W. Bourgaize
3, Life of John Wesley	M. J. Murphree
4, A Bible Biography, Life of Moses, Life of David, or Life of Jesus as recorded in Mark	H. I. James
5, A Written Sermon	T. A. O'Farrell

First Year.

To be Examined in

1, "Methodist Discipline" (pages 25-126)	W. Bourgaize
2, "Junior History of Methodism"	R. C. Gates
3, "Peep of Day"	T. A. O'Farrell
4, Translation, to Vernacular, 150 to 200 pages	M. J. Murphree

Second Year.

To be Examined in

1, "The Preachers Friend"	W. Bourgaize
2, "Life of Christ," Stalker	M. J. Murphree
3, "Fields Handbook of Theology"	R. C. Gates

To be Read

1, "Pilgrims Progress"	J. R. Gates
2, "John Wesley The Methodist"	T. A. O'Farrell
3, "Life of Khama"	H. I. James

Third Year.

To be Examined in

1, (Church History)	T. A. O'Farrell
2, "Analysis of New Testament History," Pinnock	J. R. Gates
3, "Shorter Manual of Theology," Beet	M. J. Murphree
4, Outline of Luke, John, Acts and Romans	W. Bourgaize

To be Read

1, "Paul in Every Day Life," Adam	} E. H. Greeley
2, "Life of Livingstone," Blakie	
3, "Imitation of Christ," A. Kempis	

Fourth Year.

To be Examined in

1, "Manual of Bible History," Blaikie	R. C. Gates
2, "Primer of Christian Doctrine," Terry	M. J. Murphree
3, Christian Baptism," Merrill	T. A. O'Farrell
4, "The Worker and His Bible," Eiselen & Barclay	H. I. James

To be Read

1, "Heart of Asbury's Journal," Tipple	} J. R. Gates
2, "The Class Meeting," Fitzgerald	
3, "The Indwelling Spirit," Davison	

(b) Conference Rules of Order

None.

(c) Supplies and Local Preachers

See page 52

(d) Lay Associations

None.

(e) MISSION ROLL AND DIRECTORY

Missionaries, Full Members of Conference

Bourgaize, Wilfred	Mtoko, S. Rhodesia, Africa.
Gates, J. R.	Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa.
Gates, R. C.	Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa.
Greeley, E. H.	Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa.
James, H. I.	Mrewa, S. Rhodesia, Africa.
Mauger, F. G.	Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa.
Murphree, M. J.	Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa.
O'Farrell, T. A.	Nyadiri, S. Rhodesia, Africa.
Roberts, G. A.	Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa.
Taylor, H. E.	Mutambara, via Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa.
Tull, L. E.	(On furlough,) Derby, Ohio, U. S. A.

Missionaries, Preachers on Trial

Wagner, R. F.	(On leave of absence) 201 Stanton Avenue, Ames, Iowa, U. S. A.
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Montgomery, S. R. P.	Nyadiri, Via Mtoko, S. Rhodesia, Africa
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Bjorklund, Miss Ellen E.	Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa
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Gardner, Mrs. W. C.	On furlough / Atlanta, Ga., U S A
Gates, Mrs. J. R.	Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa
Gates, Mrs. R. C.	Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa
Hansson, Miss Ruth E.	Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa
James, Mrs. H. I.	Mrewa, S. Rhodesia, Africa
Mauger, Mrs. F. G.	Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa
Montgomery, Mrs. S. R. P.	Nyadiri, Via Mtoko, S. Rhodesia, Africa
Mullikin, Miss Pearl	(On furlough,) Wilmore, Ky., U S A
Murphree, Mrs. M. J.	Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa
O'Farrell, Mrs. T. A.	Nyadiri, Via Mtoko, S. Rhodesia, Africa
Roberts, Mrs. G. A.	Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa
Taylor, Mrs. H. E.	Mutambara, via Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa
Tull, Mrs. L. E.	(On furlough,) Derby, Ohio, U S A

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Benson, Miss Mildred O.	Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa
Baven, Miss Georgia	(On furlough,) Escandido, Cal., U S A
Clark, Miss Grace	Nyadiri, Via Mtoko, S. Rhodesia, Africa
Fuller, Miss Marjorie	Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa
Hess, Miss Stella	(On furlough,) Lakeside, Ohio, U S A
King, Miss Sarah	Mutambara, via Umtali, S. Rhodesia Africa
McMann, Miss Ethel	Mutambara, via Umtali, S. Rhodesia Africa
Parmenter, Miss Ona	Nyadiri, via Mtoko, S. Rhodesia, Africa
Pennney, Miss Oril	Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa
Quinton, Miss Frances	Nyadiri, via Mtoko, S. Rhodesia, Africa
Ramsey, Miss Bertha	Nyadiri, via Mtoko, S. Rhodesia, Africa
Reitz, Miss Beulah	(On furlough,) 553 Washington Boulevard Kansas, City, Kan., U S A
Scovill, Miss Ila	Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa
Woodruff, Miss Jennie	Mutambara, via Umtali, S. Rhodesia Africa

Native Full Members of Conference

Darikwa, Isaiah	Marange, Thomas
Faku, Clifford	Marange, Titus
Katsidzira, Benjamin	Munjoma, Isaiah
Mandisodza, David	Ngonyama, Ngazana

Native Preachers on Trial

Chieza, Philip	Mukombiwa, Zachariah
Chieza, Samuel	Sadomba, Ngazana
Chimbadzwa, Josiah	

Supplies and Local Preachers

Bumbira, Samson	Chitombo, Jonah
Chakonda, Joseph	Chiwanga, Paul
Cheke, Dawson	Chiwara, Simeon
Cheke, John	Chiwara, Solomon
Chieza, Luke	Chiyadzwa, Enoch
Chieza, Nathan	Dagirhwa, Jonah
Chieza, William	Dzapasi, Simeon
Chifetete Amos	Dzemwu, Samuel
Chikazhi, Nichodemus	Dzemwu, Titus
Chikusi, James	Gondora, Job
Chikwana, Stephen	Goremazando, Andrew
Chimbadzwa, Josiah	Gurende, Samuel
Chinewu, Matthew	Gurupira, David
Chingwendi, Frederick	Gwata, Moses
Chirewa, Stephen	Gwawawa, Aaron
Chirikuutsi, Joshua	
Chisamba, Moses	Huni, Benjamin
Chitakatira, Moses	Kaitano, James
Chitakatira, Silasi	Kalowangoma, Noah
Chitayika, Daniel	Kamusono, Thomas
Chitiyo, Peter	
Chitenderu, Daniel	

Kangarade, Paul
 Kanyoko, Obadiah
 Kanyuchi, Jonah
 Kapenzi, Amos
 Kapfumvuti, Jeremiah
 Kapito, Samuel
 Kapswara, Amos
 Karimanzira, Shadrach
 Karumazondo, Richard
 Karumbidza, Amos
 Kasambira, Silas
 Katsidzira, Hosea
 Katsidzira, Murashwa
 Kaunda, Morton
 Kazomba, Elmer
 Kondo, Phillip
 Kowo, Nason
 Kunyarimwe, Roderick

Mabambe, Solomon
 Machekeche, Lawrence
 Machiha, Charlie
 Machingarufu, Johan
 Machiri, Patrick
 Machiri, Simeon
 Madzirashe, Zachaeus
 Makaure, Gibson
 Makaza, Watt
 Makoni, Edward
 Makoni, Elisha
 Makuto, Joseph
 Malianga, Paul
 Maudisodza, Wilson
 Mandizera, Jacob
 Manyanga, Benson
 Mapara, Solomon
 Maramba, Johnson
 Marauge, Harrison
 Marange, Jonathan
 Marange, Kenneth
 Mareya, Paul
 Masamba, Isaiah
 Masiya, Isaac
 Mataunga, Mark
 Matara, Thomas
 Matema, Daniel
 Matimbanyoka, Edwin
 Matonga, Samuel
 Mavisa, Paul
 Mazonda, Maurice
 Mberege, Ellison
 Mkewu, Aaron
 Mparutsa, Moses
 Mrewa, James
 Mrewa, Josiah
 Mudarikwa, David
 Mufundi, Peter
 Mugabezi, Patrick

Mujene, Abiche
 Mujene, James
 Mujuru, Joshua
 Mukadota, Gideon
 Mukasa, John Wesley
 Mukonda, Stephen
 Mukondi, Nelson
 Muledzwa, Joshua
 Munjoma, Enoch
 Munotomani, Lot
 Munotomani, Solomon
 Muranda, Daniel
 Muranda, Paul
 Murauro, Lazarus
 Murumbedzi, Jonathan
 Musakwa, Elijah
 Musiarira, James
 Musiwacho, Edison
 Mutsago, Joshua
 Mutambanengwe, Maxiu
 Mvududu, Elisha
 Mvurumutiza, Ezekiel

Ndizana, Nathan
 Nduna, John
 Njangu, David
 Nyafukwe, David
 Nyaguwa, Martin
 Nyambawaro, Benjamin
 Nyamurowa, Joseph
 Nyawasha, Petros
 Nyemba, Shadrach

Parwehosi, Morrison
 Pawirimanzi, Solomon
 Pasingekanyi, Peter
 Pedzeni, Thomas
 Pendeke, Samuel
 Pukarakati, Philip
 Pundo, Philip

Rakabopa, Gilbert
 Risinamudzi, Jotham
 Rugayo, Jackson

Sachiti, Johnson
 Sakutomba, David
 Siyawanwaya, Jefferson
 Sora, Samson

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 Tsigi, Job
 Tsoko, Abraham
 Tsopotsa, Isaiah

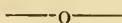
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Zaranyika, David
 Zisengwe, Peter
 Zwinoyera, Samson

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Chifakoya, Margaret
Katsidzira, Leah
Mafokosha, Grace
Mafudza, Norah
Mandisodza, Sarah

Marange, Susannah
Muradzikwa, Agnes
Mushamboza, Ruth
Sami, Elina
Sepita, Miriam



Part XI

PASTORAL RECORD

Bourgaize, Wilfred.—Post Office, Mtoko, S. Rhodesia, Africa. Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1921; Deacon, 1921; Elder, 1921; 1921, Umtasa, Gandanzara, and Headlands Circuits; '22-24, Mtoko and Uzumba Circuits; '25-26, Mtoko Circuit; '27, Superintendent, Mtoko District.

Chieza, Philip.—Post Office, Muziti, Via Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa. Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1927; 1927, Muziti.

Chieza, Samuel.—Post Office, Mrewa, S. Rhodesia, Africa. Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1927; 1927, Mrewa.

Chimbadzwa, Josiah.—Post Office, Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa. Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1926; 1926-27, Assistant, Theological Department, Old Umtali.

Darikwa Isaiah.—Post Office, Nyakatsapa, Via Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa. Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1924; Deacon, 1926; 1924, Rupinda; '25, Nyakatsapa; '26-27, Umtasa Circuit.

Faku, Clifford.—Post Office, Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa. Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1924; Deacon, 1926; 1924, Old Umtali Circuit; '25, Penhalonga; '26-27, Assistant, Literary Department, Old Umtali.

Gates, John R.—Post Office, Box 55, Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa. Rock River Conference, 1905, Chicago, Edison Park; Deacon, 1906; Elder, 1906; '07, East Central Mission Conference, Umtali, St. Andrew's Church; '08, Ndanga District; '09-11, District Superintendent and Old Umtali; '12-13, on furlough; '14-15, Vermont Conference, Northfield; '16-20, Rhodesia Mission Conference, District Superintendent; '21-22, on furlough; '23, Superintendent, Umtali District, and Pastor St. Andrew's Church; '24, Superintendent, Old Umtali District, and Pastor, St. Andrew's Church; '25-26, Superintendent, Old Umtali, and Mutambara Districts, and Pastor St. Andrew's Church; '27, Superintendent, Umtali District, and Pastor, St. Andrew's Church.

Gates, Robert C.—Post Office, Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa. Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1923; Deacon, 1923; Elder, 1927; 1923, Literary and Normal Department, Old Umtali, and Old Umtali

Circuit; '24, Literary and Normal Department, and Pastor, Old Umtali; '25, Literary and Normal Department, and Pastor, Old Umtali, Old Umtali Circuit, and Mission Correspondent; '26, Literary and Normal Department, Old Umtali, and Mission Correspondent; '27, Superintendent, Old Umtali District, Literary and Normal Department, Old Umtali, and Mission Correspondent.

Greeley, Eddy H.—Post Office, Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa. East Central Africa Mission Conference, 1907; Deacon, 1909; Elder, 1910; 1888, Cape Palmas Seminary, Liberia, West Africa; 1890, on furlough; 1894, White Plains Seminary, Liberia, West Africa; 1896, St. Paul's River Industrial School, Liberia, West Africa; 1897 on furlough; 1900-05, Old Umtali School; '05-10, Makomwe; '11 on furlough; '12-14, Old Umtali; '15-16, Mrewa; '17, Mtoko Circuit; '18-20, Mission Press, Old Umtali; '21-22 on furlough; '23, Chiduku Circuit; '24, Director of Language and Translations; '25-26, Manager Rhodesia Mission Press and Editor Native Literature, Old Umtali; '27, Retired.

James, Henry I.—Post Office, Mrewa, S. Rhodesia, Africa. West Wisconsin Conference, Birchwood, 1907; Deacon, ; Elder, 1913; '08-09, Algoma; '10-12, Oconto; '13, East Central Africa Mission Conference; '13-14, St. Paul's, Penhalonga; '15, Principal Central Training School; '16-19, Mission Treasurer; '16 Bible Department Training School, and Rhodesia Mission Press; '17-18, Old Umtali Circuit and Principal, Central Training School; '19, on furlough; '20-24, Mission Treasurer; St. Andrew's Church, and Superintendent, Umtali District; '22, St. Andrew's Church, Superintendent, Umtali District, and Mission Correspondent; '23-24, Superintendent, Mrewa District, and Mission Correspondent; '25-26, on furlough; '27, Superintendent, Mrewa District.

Katsidzira, Benjamin.—Post Office, Gandanzara, Via Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1924; Deacon, 1926; '24-25, Nyamakwarara; '26, Gandanzara; '27, Gandanzara Circuit.

Mandisodza, David.—Post Office, Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1921; Deacon, 1921; '21, Salisbury; '22-27, Headlands Circuit.

Marange, Thomas.—Post Office, Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa. Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1923; Deacon 1926; '23, Umtali Native Church; '24-25, Mutambara Circuit; '26-27, Umtali Circuit.

Marange, Titus.—Post Office, Salisbury, S. Rhodesia, Africa. Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1924; Deacon, 1926; '24-27, Salisbury.

Mauger, Frank G.—Post Office, Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa. Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1924; Deacon, 1926; Elder, 1927; '24-26, Chiduku Circuit and Industrial Department, Old Umtali; '27, Industrial Department and Pastor, Old Umtali.

Mukombiwa, Zachariah.—Post Office, Penhalonga, S Rhodesia, Africa. Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1926; '26, Assistant, Agricultural Department, Old Umtali; '27, Penhalonga.

Munjoma, Isaiah.—Post Office, Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa. Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1923; Deacon, 1926; '23, Umtasa Circuit; '24, Nyakatsapa; '25, Umtali Native Church; '26-27, Old Umtali Circuit.

Murphree, Marshall J.—Post Office, Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa. Nebraska Conference, 1917; Deacon, 1919; Rhodesia Mission

Conference, 1921; Elder, 1920; '21-23, Principal, Central Training School, and Superintendent, Old Umtali District; '24, Superintendent, Mutambara District; '25, on furlough; '26, Theological Department, Old Umtali, and Gandanzara Circuit; '27, Superintendent, Rusapi District, and Theological Department, Old Umtali.

Nkonyama, Reginald.—Post Office, Mutambara, Via Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa. Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1925; Deacon, 1927; '25-26, Assistant, Mutambara Center; '27, Mutambara Circuit, and Assistant, Mutambara Center.

O'Farrell, Thomas A.—Post Office, Nyadiri, Via Mtoko, S. Rhodesia, Africa. East Central Africa Mission Conference, 1910; Deacon, 1910; Elder, 1910; '10-14, Mutambara Circuit; '15-18, on furlough; '19-20, Mrewa; '21-23, Superintendent, Mrewa District; '24, on furlough; '25-26, Superintendent, Mrewa District; '27, Superintendent, Nyadiri District.

Roberts, George A.—Post Office, Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa. Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1921; Deacon, 1921; Elder, 1921; 1907-08, Old Umtali, Assistant Agricultural Department; '09-10, Old Umtali, Industries; '11, Old Umtali, Agriculture and Sunday School Missionary; '12-13, Old Umtali Agriculture Department; '14, on furlough; '15-18 Old Umtali Agricultural Department and Animal Husbandry; '19-20, Mutambara Circuit; '21, on furlough; '22, Old Umtali, Department of Agriculture, and Gandanzara Circuit; '23, Old Umtali, Department of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry, and Gandanzara Circuit; '24, Principal and Agriculture Department, Hartzell Institute, and Gandanzara Circuit; '25-27, Principal and Department of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry, Hartzell Institute.

Sadomba, Ngazana.—Post Office, Mtoko, S. Rhodesia, Africa. Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1923; Deacon, 1927; '23-24, Muradzikwa, '25, Mukozhiwa; '26, Assistant, Mtoko Circuit; '27, Evangelist, Mtoko District.

Taylor, H. Erne.—Post Office, Mutambara, Via Umtali, S. Rhodesia, Africa. Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1921; Deacon, 1921; Elder, 1921; '21, Department of Agriculture, and Pastor, Old Umtali; '22, Mutambara Department of Agriculture, and Boys' School; '23, Mutambara Station and Department of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry; '24, on furlough; '25-27, Mutambara.

Tull, L. Emerson.—Post Office (on furlough) Derby, Ohio, U.S.A. Rhodesia Mission Conference, 1921; Deacon, 1921; Elder, 1921; '21, Old Umtali Out-Stations; '22, Mission Engineer; '23, Nyadiri, Construction Engineer; '24, Mrewa Circuit; '25-26, Mission Treasurer, '25, South Mrewa Circuit; '26, Nyadiri Center; '27, on furlough.

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